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Graham Appraises War

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Jesus Christ was not a pacifist and freedom must be defended by war, if necessary, evangelist Billy Graham told a congregation of nearly 7,000 persons at a Protestant Christmas service held in the main concourse of the Pentagon building.

His audience included ranking generals and admirals from all branches of the service, the Secretaries of the Army and Navy, and hundreds of civilian workers for the Defense Department and its establishments.

Going to war is permissible if it is the only way to preserve freedom the evangelist declared.

"Unless human nature is radically changed, we must defend our liberties if challenged," he said.

He warned that God will intervene in human history when the time is proper, according to the Bible.

"Mr. Khrushchev will not write the last chapter of history," he asserted. "God will write it."

John Jeter Hurt Dies at Age 88

Atlanta — Dr. John Jeter Hurt, a former president of Union University at Jackson, Tenn., died in a private hospital Dec. 26. He was 88, according to an Associated Press dispatch.

Hurt was editor of the Baptist Advance, an Arkansas church publication now extinct, from 1900 to 1903. Pastors followed at Conway, Ark. Durham, N. C., Wilmington, N. C. and Jackson, Tenn.

He became president of Union University, a Baptist college, in 1932 and retired 13 years later.

Hurt took pride in the fact that he had attended 53 consecutive annual sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention. He nominated six of the presidents who were elected during that time.

Ft. Worth Church Robbed of \$3,000

FORT WORTH, Tex. (BP) — Thieves cracked a walk-in vault at Travis Avenue Baptist Church here, taking more than \$3,000 in Christmas offerings, most of it for foreign mission causes.

To enter the vault, the robbers knocked a hole through the 14-inch brick wall of the vault. Pastor James E. Coggin said the church would stage an all-out effort to raise enough Christmas offerings to replace the stolen \$3,000.

As the bitter winds of a turbulent world scatter the people like dry leaves, the doors of our churches swing open to a continent with changed landscape. Old cities rot at the center and spires of old churches topple over; new suburbs bulge out where planted fields once gave harvests of grain and cotton; farmlands disappear as bulldozers chew up quiet rural pastures; and highways become roaring raceways for people whose only goal is the next town and whose only guide is the red and blue road map that tells where to find the wide pavement.

Families often decay when old cities decline; suburban people consume the wealth they have produced and are still hungry; men run aimlessly through a world they do not understand; and the seeds of bitterness and disillusionment bear that fruits of conflict and strife in man's soul, in his neighborhood, and in his world.

Since this is so, the time has come for churches to declare that any man in Christ is a new creature, because God has reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ (II Cor. 5:17f.); it is time for the churches to carry this word of reconciliation of God and man, and man with man, to places where the people are: in cities, in suburbs, and in the farmlands; it is time for churches to be heedless of themselves and to be concerned for people who perish without the reconciling Word.

Therefore we proclaim the year 1962 a Year for Church Extension. It is a year when we shall go into old churches to renew them; enter new areas to start new missions, Bible schools, and churches; and penetrate deeply into every area of personal and community life with the Gospel of salvation.

Nation-Wide Japan Crusade Set

The Evangelism Committee of the Japan Baptist Convention met early in December and, among other actions, named committees to handle every phase of planning and preparation for the nation-wide evangelistic crusade scheduled for the spring of 1963. A listing of the committees, along with a full report of the meeting, has been received by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Among the new committees are liaison, executive, prayer, study public relations, publication external affairs, hall, music, and finance. A planning and invitation committee has already been functioning for some time.

Since the beginning of their plans for the crusade about three years ago, Japan Baptists have wanted Dr. Billy Graham

to share in the effort; and, accordingly, they sent Rev. Shuichia Matsumura, chairman of the convention's evangelism department, to the states in May, 1960, to issue a formal invitation to Dr. Graham. At that time thinking was primarily toward a great city-wide campaign in Tokyo.

To Cover Nation. However, the desire of Baptists in other large cities of Japan to share in the undertaking has altered plans to cover the entire nation, with evangelistic services being held in a number of major cities and with radio and television reaching areas in between.

In the meantime, the Baptist General Convention of Texas has offered to take special responsibility in helping to meet some of the needs includ-

ing plans for securing substantial support from individual donors and for making available preachers and lay workers to help in Japan during the campaign (though Southern Baptist participants will not be limited to persons from Texas).

Upon the invitation of the Japan Baptist Convention and the Foreign Mission Board, Dr. Graham is making plans to participate in several mass meetings in major cities during the undertaking. He met with representatives of the Texas Convention and the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, Va., on December 9 to further discuss his contribution.

Many Aided. Attending the conference, in addition to Dr. Graham, were Dr. Grady Wilson, associate evangelist on the Billy Graham team; Dr. William H. (Dub) Jackson Jr., Southern Baptist Missionary representing the planning and invitation committee of the Japan Baptist Convention; Dr. T. A. Patterson, executive secretary, and Dr. C. Wade Freeman, evangelism secretary, representing the Texas Convention; and Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Texas Convention.

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CATHOLIC STUDY HIT BY LEADING DAILY

WASHINGTON (BP) — The Washington Post, daily newspaper here, editorially challenged the conclusion of the legal department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference that federal aid to parochial schools is constitutional.

The Post said that the inclusion of church-related schools in any program of federal aid to education would impair both the independence of the church and of the state.

One of the major points by the National Catholic Welfare Conference study is that secular instruction and religious instruction in parochial schools can be differentiated. Hence, it claimed that part which is secular is a public service which should be paid for by public funds.

The Post gave a short answer to that contention by saying that the Catholic Church then should have no objection to its pupils getting their secular education in the public schools. Then in after school hours, either in a church or at a parochial school, they could get their instruction in religion.

"But in simple truth," the editorial continued, "one of the purposes of the parochial schools is to inform, or enlighten, secular teaching with religious doctrines or insights." What the National Catholic Welfare Conference calls "church-related" schools, the Post pointed out, are in reality "church schools."

State Should Be Free. In defending the principle of separation of church and state the Post emphasized that no hostility between the two is involved. Rather, it said the principle is simply a recognition, born of bitter experience, that the state can function best when it is free from interference from the churches and that religion can best fulfill its unique role when it is free from political interference.

The Post pointed out another difference between church and public schools. Church schools are "operated, governed and taught by the disciples of a particular church," while the public schools "are operated, governed and taught by public servants responsible to the general public."

Church Institute Jan. 8-10

Plans are complete for the Church Leadership Institute, Jan. 8-10 in the Alumni-Student Building of Mississippi State University.

About 150 ministers and laymen from several denominations are expected at this annual event. Sponsors are the Mississippi Christian Community Fellowship and the Mississippi Agricultural Extension Service.

Following the opening devotion Monday at 2 p.m., the group will be welcomed by Rev. E. E. Stidham of Coffeeville president Mississippi Christian Community Fellowship, and by Dr. D. W. Colvard, president, Mississippi State University.

At the opening session will be the first of four lectures, "Doctrine of Vocation," by Dr. H. Clayton Waddell, professor of social ethics, New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

A discussion will be led by D. W. Rivers of State College, program leader of the Extension Service.

Rev. William Davidson of the Division of Town and Country Work, Protestant Episcopal Church, New York City, will address the fellowship dinner Tuesday.

A luncheon Wednesday will close the Institute. The speaker will be Dr. Chester L. Quarles of Jackson, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Besides Rev. Stidham, presiding at sessions will be Rev. Estes Denton of Artesia, Rev. George T. Fortner of Holly Bluff and Rev. R. B. Patterson, Sr. of Grenada.

Many Mississippi Baptist pastors and associational officers and leaders are expected to attend the Institute as they have the past few years.

Spotlighting Religion In '61

—BY RNS

By Religious News Service

1961 is likely to be remembered in church circles especially as the year when the Russian Orthodox Church, largest body in Eastern Orthodoxy, moved decisively into the ecumenical orbit by becoming a member of the World Council of Churches.

This dramatic event highlighted the WCC's Third Assembly at New Delhi, India Nov. 18-Dec. 6, the first to which the Roman Catholic Church sent official observers. The assembly was preceded two months earlier by another historic gathering, the Pan-Orthodox Conference at Rhodes, Greece, in which the Russian Church was also a leading participant. The year saw the issuance of an epochal and widely hailed new social encyclical, Mater et Magistra, by Pope John XXIII, and notable progress in preparations for the Second Vatican Council.

Significantly, in all these developments, the various faiths showed a lively common interest as the so-called dialogue for understanding between the Churches gathered momentum on a universal scale. Of exceptional interest were informal visits paid to Pope John by Presiding Bishop Arthur Lichtner of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and by Brooks Hays, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Reds War on Religion. On the dark side, the year saw fresh impetus given the Red war on religion by the program adopted at the 22nd Communist Party Congress in Moscow. Of immediate concern in this context were anti-religious developments in Communist-controlled East Germany, Poland, and Cu-

ba. Elsewhere — in Laos, Ceylon, Burma, South Africa, the Congo, Angola, and Algeria — political events also had deep religious repercussions.

December marked the close of one of the most widely publicized trials in history as an Israeli court doled Hitler henchman Adolf Eichmann to the gallows for the extermination of 6,000,000 Jews. Summing up for the prosecution in August, Attorney General Gideon Hausner

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4-Hour Sermon Draws 4,000 On New Year's Eve

DALLAS (BP) — Nearly 4,000 persons greeted the New Year at special New Year's Eve services at the First Church of Dallas that featured a preaching marathon by Pastor W. A. Criswell.

Crowds filled to capacity the main auditorium of the world's largest Southern Baptist church, and overflowed into two auxiliary auditoriums in adjoining buildings.

About 2,500 people greeted the New Year on their knees at midnight after Criswell had preached for nearly 4½ hours.

Preaching from Genesis to Revelation, Criswell traced the whole purpose of God through human history in the marathon sermon.

There were four ten-minute breaks and a 30 minute intermission for coffee during the 4½ hour message, which Criswell said was "time enough to complete just one sermon."

—GRADUATE OF MO

PASTOR FIRED FROM PART-TIME JOB

WINNEMUCCA, Nev. (BP) — A Baptist minister here lost his weekday job as a bookkeeper for a lumber company apparently because he battled to close a local house of prostitution.

The preacher, Lavern A. Inzer, of First Baptist Church, had asked Nevada Atty. Gen. Roger Foley to use his authority in helping to bring about the house's closing.

The job-firing came to light when members of the church congregation wrote a leading daily newspaper in Reno about the incident. Inzer confirmed it.

"I have no animosity," he added. "I admire my former boss if that is his conviction."

Students at Golden Gate Seminary in Mill Valley, Calif., where Inzer formerly studied, presented the crusading pastor with an automobile and food.

Won't Carry It To Pulpit. Inzer said he won't carry the fight to his pulpit. "I have more important things to preach about. If I am going to live in a town, I want law and order."

He said Foley and some other law enforcement officials wrote him they were "shocked" to learn "that as a result of your courageous attempt to bring about the enforcement of the law" he lost his job.

In young churches, ministers often must take outside employment to work on weekdays to support their families until the day church offerings are large enough to pay a full-time salary. The Winnemucca church had 53 members and annual offerings of \$5650 in 1960. It allotted \$1300 for pastor's salary.

Peace Corps Reaffirms Policy

WASHINGTON (BP) — The Peace Corps has again asserted that it has no intention of entering into contracts with church-related agencies.

R. Sargent Shriver, director of the Peace Corps, addressed a meeting of representatives of private voluntary agencies here. The meeting was called by the Peace Corps for briefing session.

"We have not signed, nor do we have plans to sign project agreements with the service arms of churches in the United States," Shriver said. He said that he was aware that these agencies are engaged in programs with aid (agency for international development), but he felt that it would be a mistake for missionary or denominational groups to operate Peace Corps projects.

Noting that the contracts of the private agencies with aid were for the distribution of surplus foods and other material, Shriver said "the Peace Corps provides people, not food, to voluntary agencies."

Difficult To Draw Line. And the Peace Corps, he continued, being a government agency, cannot restrict assignment to projects on the basis of religion. "Just because it is a difficult line to draw, we shouldn't stop trying to draw it," he said.

Evangelism Meet Feb. 5-7

Up to 1000 Mississippi Baptist pastors and other church and denominational leaders are expected to attend the annual State Evangelistic Conference to be held at Gulfshore Assembly Feb. 5-7.

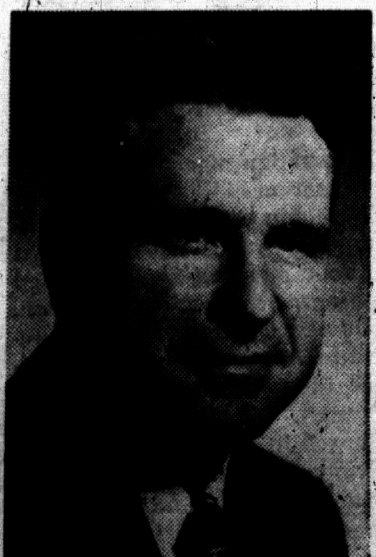
Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Associate Executive Secretary, in making the announcement, said that several outstanding program personalities, including five from out of the state, have been scheduled.

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Church, Dallas, the denomination's largest, will speak three times.

Also scheduled to appear will be Dr. G. Earl Guinn, president of Louisiana College, Pineville; Dr. W. Marshall Craig, evangelist of Dallas; Dr. Paul Lawson, Associate, Division of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Dal-

las, and Dr. Harold C. Bennett, Superintendent of New Work, Sunday School Board, Nashville.

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Dr. W. A. Criswell



Dr. G. Earl Guinn

Missionary Asks Loan of Southern Baptist Staff Workers

NASHVILLE (BP)—Southern Baptist agencies in the United States were asked here to share their professional staff workers with Baptists of countries abroad.

The speaker, missionary Geo. R. Wilson Jr., of Hong Kong, praised the help already given by visiting staff members from several agencies.

Wilson, an educator, serves on the faculty of three schools—Hong Kong Baptist College, Hong Kong Baptist Theological Seminary and Asia Baptist Graduate Theological Seminary. His stateside home is Webb City, Mo.

He addressed the men in the best position to authorize and provide such assistance on the

mission fields. They include state executive secretaries, who are the chief executive officers of state Baptist conventions, and the heads of many of their departments of state work, who could render the type of help sought.

Offers Challenge

Also in the group were heads of several Southern Baptist Convention agencies. The SBC Sunday School Board sponsored the banquet meeting.

Wilson asked prayer for the 1964 Sunday School enlargement campaign in the Orient. He said Baptists sometimes "are hampered by self-centered ideas . . . are too busy counting the cranks of the mimeograph machine."

He also declared, "World missions can't move at a snail's pace in a day of competition with rockets . . . We hear the word 'crisis.' In Chinese, the word 'crisis' is formed by a combination meaning 'dangerous opportunity.'" He challenged the group to meet that opportunity.

Spotlighting

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paid a memorable tribute to the Christian clergymen and laymen who saved many Jews from deportation or death and in so doing brought "a spark of light in the dark night of Nazism." The trial was seen by observers as challenging the moral conscience of people everywhere. They saw it as pointing to a new era of increased Christian-Jewish goodwill and as underscoring that the Nazi crimes were actually offenses against all mankind. In many communities, particularly in Germany, Protestant and Catholic "repentance" demonstrations were held as the trial progressed.

In the United States Catholic demands that parochial schools be included in any federal aid to education, controversy over the morality of atomic bomb shelters, the activities of extremist anti-Communist groups, and the inauguration of President Kennedy's Peace Corps were headline topics. Meanwhile the U. S. Supreme Court, among other decisions touching upon religious issues, upheld the constitutionality of Sunday closing laws.

WCC Stir Criticism

Meeting under the shadow of growing East-West tensions, the World Council assembly stirred criticism in some circles by voting to admit the Russian Church to membership. The Vatican Radio warned that the Russian Church would be used by the Soviet government to "confuse the world" and as "a cover for further persecution of religion." But WCC general secretary Dr. W. A. Visser 't Hooft hailed the entry of the Russian Church as offering "a tremendous opportunity" for a real spiritual dialogue between the Eastern and Western Churches that would "greatly enrich our ecumenical tasks."

Three other decisions taken at New Delhi were expected to influence the ecumenical movement for years to come. One was the integration of the International Missionary Council into the WCC, thus bringing together two of the main forces of worldwide Protestant and Orthodox Christianity. The second was the approval of a detailed plan for Christian unity which called for interlocking communities of Churches which recognize one another's members and ministers and allow joint participation in communion. The third was the adoption of a new basis for WCC membership which specifically mentions the Trinity and the Scriptures instead of requiring only recognition of Jesus Christ as Lord, as in the original basis.

In other actions, the WCC assembly 1) condemned violations of religious liberty through "legal enactments or the pressure of social customs," 2) denounced anti-Semitism as a "sin against God and man," and 3) endorsed a report calling for the creation of cells of Christian laymen and women in areas where the Church has lost contact with the masses.

The Pan-Orthodox Conference, first of its kind since 1872, was attended by delegates from 12 major Eastern Orthodox bodies, and by three WCC observers. It approved theological and social subjects to be discussed at a forthcoming Pro-Synod and finally acted upon at the next Orthodox Ecumenical Council.

The conference also agreed to renew theological talks between the Orthodox Churches and the Church of England (Anglican) which were interrupted in 1931. This action was taken after a message was read from Dr. Arthur Michael Ramsey, who was enthroned in June as the 100th Archbishop of Canterbury. Formally inducted in September was Dr. Frederick Donald Coggan, the new Archbishop of York.

Tension Heightened

International tension was heightened in October, when Russia resumed nuclear tests, a move promptly protested by Protestant and Catholic groups around the world. In the previous month, Pope John had called on leaders of East and West to negotiate their differences and thus eliminate the nuclear threat. His appeal won unexpected endorsement from Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev, who later surprised the world by formally extending 80th birthday greetings to the Pope.

In the United States, a controversy developed over the propriety of nuclear bomb shelters after Jesuit Father L. C. McHugh upheld the moral right of a householder to use extreme force if necessary to repel unprepared neighbors from invading his family shelter.

American churchmen—Protestant, Catholic and Jewish—were increasingly outspoken during the year in warning against the threat to national unity stemming from the divi-



PICTURED are members of the Commuters Club of Blue Mountain College for the current session. Front row, left to right: Charlene Stokes, Pontotoc; Eleanor Raines, New Albany; Mrs. Vernell Wicker, Booneville; Mrs. Mary Reese, Ripley; Frances Hodges, Ripley; Anita Mask, Blue Mountain; Jolane Thompson, Blue Mountain; and Anne McBrayer, Blue Mountain. Second row, left to right: Doska Bennett, New Albany; Patsy Gilliam, Myrtle; Jane Wilbanks, New Albany; Mrs. Helen Jackson, Falkner; Dot Raymer, Blue Mountain; Glenda Hodges, Blue Mountain; Leigh Nelms, Ripley; and Jean Floyd, New Albany. Third row, left to right: Louise Moore, Blue Mountain; Peggy Coker, Pontotoc; Norma Smith, New Albany; Mrs. Joe Prescott, New Albany; Betty Shumaker, Ripley; Mrs. Vera Moore, Rienzi; Mary Faith Phillips, Pontotoc; and Carla Freeman, Ripley. Fourth row, left to right: Shirley Teague, New Albany; Blanche Garner, Blue Mountain; Gale Tapp, Ripley; Mrs. Sue Jarvis, New Albany; Mrs. Tommy Harris, Ripley; Mrs. Loris Aldridge, New Albany; and Mrs. Julia Mallard, Pontotoc. Back row, left to right: Mrs. Opal Deline, Pontotoc; Mrs. Helen Monroe, Pontotoc; Mrs. Virginia Wilson, Booneville; and Mrs. Marlene Hamilton, Pontotoc.

sive activities of such extremist anti-Communist groups as the John Birch Society, which aroused particular criticism by charging that many clergymen were Communists or Communist sympathizers.

President Kennedy's executive order in March setting up the Peace Corps on a temporary pilot basis was hailed with general satisfaction in religious circles, although some Protestant leaders were concerned as to whether Peace Corps cooperation with missionary organizations would violate Church-State separation.

The Church-State issue was of much more immediate concern to Protestant and Jewish leaders who opposed Catholic demands for federal school funds. In December, the National Catholic Welfare Conference challenged the Kennedy administration's position on the unconstitutionality of aid to church-related schools in an 82-page statement which contended that the Constitution permitted aid on a much broader scale than the government had been willing to concede.

U. S. Shares Spotlight

The U. S. shared a spotlight with South Africa as churchmen in both countries continued to confront the issue of racial segregation. "Freedom Riders" seeking to bring about the integration of public transportation in the Southern states were given strong backing by both Protestant and Catholic clergymen. However, in July, Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy urged the nation's clergymen generally to play a more active part in fighting racial discrimination. In South Africa, Christian leaders were shocked when three Dutch Reformed Churches, reaffirming support of the government's segregation policy, withdrew from the World Council of Churches. In another development, Professor A. S. Geyser, minister of the Dutch Reformed Church of Africa, was brought to trial before a Church commission on charges of heresy stemming from his opposition to the denomination's stand against admitting non-whites to membership.

New milestones were recorded in the U. S. in the dairy of the Protestant unity movement. On January 1, the new American Lutheran Church, incorporating the old American Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the old United Evangelical Lutheran Church, began functioning from headquarters in Minneapolis. On July 4 at Philadelphia, the 1957 merger of the Congregational Christian General Council and the Evangelical and Reformed Church into the 2,250,000-member United Church of Christ became fully implemented.

Formation of a new 3,200 denomination—the Lutheran Church in America—was assured in August when the last of four merging bodies ratified the agreement of consolidation. The new Church, to be constituted in June, 1962, brings together the Augustana Lutheran Church, the United Lutheran Church in America, the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church (Suomi Synod), and the American Evangelical Lutheran Church. In May, more than a century of merger efforts reached a culmination

when the American Unitarian Association and the Universalist Church of America voted for formal union into the Unitarian Universalist Association.

Three major bodies gave affirmative responses to a union plan proposed in 1960 by Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, stated clerk of the United Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., and endorsed by Dr. James Pike, Protestant Church in the U. S. A., and endorsed by Dr. James A. Pike, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of California. They included, in addition to Dr. Blake's own denomination and the Protestant Episcopal Church, the United Church of Christ. A fourth body involved—The Methodist Church—has not yet had an opportunity officially to pass on the plan.

Throughout the year, Protestant and Catholic officials were concerned over developments in a number of Asian and African countries. In Laos, the future of Christian work was imperiled when missionaries were caught up with many slain or missing, in the struggle against Communist rebel forces. Other difficulties were reported in South Vietnam where Red guerrillas continued to attack mission stations. In Burma, the proclamation of Buddhism as the state religion made missionary work seem uncertain despite a declaration of religious liberty for all citizens. Another Buddhist stronghold is Ceylon, where church schools were nationalized, visas denied to prospective new missionaries and a new special tax imposed on resident missionaries.

In the Congo, desperate plights were reported by mission hospitals and social welfare agencies. And many casualties occurred among missionaries caught in the crossfire in Katanga Province between United Nations and native forces. From Angola came reports of American Methodist missionaries arrested by Portuguese authorities and jailed for months on charges of helping native insurgents fighting against what they denounced as ruthless colonial oppression. In Algeria, extremist European settlers opposed to independence for the French possession demonstrated against the reading of a pastoral letter in which Archbishop Leon-Etienne Duval of Algiers condemned as "false prophets" the four French generals who revolted in April. The prelate called for a social doctrine "whose keystone would be respect for the human person and for his God-given dignity."

New troubles for Churches New troubles for the churches were reported in Communist-ruled European countries. In East Germany, the sealing of the East and West Berlin border by the Communists on Aug. 13 created a new ghetto of darkness and isolation for millions of Soviet Zone Christians. Predominantly Catholic Poland saw new restrictions on religious instruction as the government continued to defy the Church by stepping up its birth control program. In December reports from Hungary and Czechoslovakia were that the Communists were making bids for better relations with the U. S. by permitting Josef Cardinal Mindszenty to emerge safely from his asylum at the U. S.

Legation in Budapest, and restoring banished Archbishop Josef Beran to his See in Prague.

In Cuba, 1961 saw Premier Fidel Castro's December boast that he had been a Marxist-Leninist from the start climax a year of intensive religious persecution during which two bishops and hundreds of Catholic priests and nuns were exiled from the country. In September, a spontaneous demonstration by 4,000 anti-Castro Catholics in Havana was answered by a new decree outlawing all religious processions.

Both American Protestant and Catholic leaders showed intensified concern during 1961 over the future of Latin America, menaced by widespread poverty and steady Communist infiltration. In November, the National Catholic Welfare Conference's Latin American Bureau announced that 112 Papal Volunteers would be in the Latin America mission field by early 1962 to serve as technical or social workers in dioceses hampered by a lack of priests. Previously, Protestant leaders of many denominations stressed what they said was the need not only for more extensive evangelism programs there, but for awakening a greater social consciousness among the people.

Statistics published in October showed U. S. church membership at a record high of 114,449,217, or 3.6 per cent of the total population of about 180,000,000. The breakdown was, 63,668,835 Protestants, 42,104,900 Catholics, 2,698,663 Eastern Orthodox, 5,367,000 Jews and 589,819 members of the Old Catholic, Polish National Catholic and Armenian Apostolic Churches, and 20,000 Buddhists. In their annual statement in November the U. S. Catholic bishops warned of a "widespread moral apathy" in America touching virtually every group. They said this makes it vitally necessary for Americans to "make open profession of religious beliefs and moral convictions."

Concern Voiced

During the year, major Jewish organizations hailed steps taken by Protestant and Catholic church leaders to eliminate references to Jews in their texts and liturgies which might be deemed anti-Semitic. Meanwhile concern was voiced in Jewish circles over the closing of synagogues and the arrest and imprisonment of Jewish leaders in Soviet Russia, and anti-Semitic outbreaks in Argentina, Algeria, Morocco and Libya. An announcement in August that for the first time since 1948, a Yiddish-language publication had appeared in the Soviet Union caused rejoicing until it was learned that it was to be devoted mostly to Soviet propaganda.

For the first time in this country, two Jews—Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Abraham Ribicoff and Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg—were named simultaneously to a President's Cabinet. Formed in Washington during the year was a Reform Jewish center that, among other things, will provide research material and information on social issues, and cooperate with Protestant and Catholic action agencies in the capital.

Vietnamese Evangelistic Services Win Forty-One in Five Months

Forty-one Vietnamese have professed faith in Christ as a result of the Saigon Baptist chapel's once-a-Sunday preaching service in the national language. This is an average of eight per month since the first profession was made the first Sunday.

The house-chapel in Vietnam's capital seemed large to Southern Baptist missionaries when they began the program for nationals. But five months later 71 people were crowded into a room supposed to seat 40. Others were standing outside, and still others left for lack of space. Attendance at Bible classes also "continues to overwhelm us," says one of the missionaries, Mrs. William T. Robertson.

Attendance Stable

She adds that the attendance is fairly stable, with only gradual and normal growth. "This indicates that the people who come are not curiosity seekers but are sincerely seeking a better way of life," she explains. Many of the converts are studying in the class for new believers, and a sizable group will be ready for baptism before the end of the year.

"It is obvious that had we enough missionaries and national workers in Vietnam at present we could have six to 12 such chapels with similar response in every major city throughout the country," Mrs.

Robertson says. "Our prayer is that we may be able to win a sufficient number of people quickly enough to allay the onslaught of Communism and destroy the cancerous roots which have already been planted throughout the land."

Nation-Wide

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Executive secretary, and Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, representing the Foreign Mission Board. They were joined for lunch by Dr. L. Howard Jenkins, president, and Dr. J. Levering Evans, chairman of the Orient committee of the board.

Campaign planning will be stepped up in coming weeks. Dr. Jackson, who has been serving in a liaison capacity for the Japan Baptist Convention, will return to Japan within a few weeks. Four to six leaders of the Japan convention, including Southern Baptist Missionary Coleman D. Clarke, assistant secretary in its evangelism department, will come to the states to give further impetus to promotion and planning. Dr. Crawley will go to Japan in late February to meet with crusade committees with a view to making final plans, including decisions as to exact dates and the number of preachers and laymen needed from the states.

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STATE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC

Gulfshore

January 29-31, 1962

SEND A TEAM from your ASSOCIATION, including:



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THESE WORKERS WILL RETURN TO THEIR ASSOCIATION AND CONDUCT ONE-DAY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC

Your Sunday School Department Will Provide



FOR A COMPLETE TEAM OF SIX!

1. If complete team comes in one car, the driver will receive \$.06 per mile. Two cars are allowed at \$.04 per mile.
2. Clinic is designed to train Associational workers.
3. Clinic begins with supper on Monday at 5:30; closes at 10:30 on Wednesday.
4. In addition to Age-group conferences, Special Interest Groups will be available on —
 - (1) Story telling
 - (2) New Nursery Text
 - (3) Making and using non-projected teaching aids
 - (4) How to conduct a conference
 - (5) Creative Activities (Junior and Intermediate)
 - (6) Music (emphasis in Joint Service)
 - (7) Publicity for One-Day Clinics (Newstories, posters, announcements, etc.)
 - (8) Role playing and Informal Dramatizations.
5. Each association should send names of team members to Sunday School Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.
6. "PLAN FOR TWO IN SIXTY-TWO"



THE THIRD-YEAR SPANISH class from William Carey College has returned from a field trip on which they visited Southern Baptist mission stations in Northern Mexico during the Christmas vacation. Those making up the group were, from left, Dr. Judson Chastain, professor of the Conversational (third-year) Spanish class; Anna Lynn Carpenter, Carey Junior and member of Petal-Harvey Baptist; Gerald Ferguson, Carey Junior and a member of Way Side Mission; Mrs. Daisy Moore, Senior; Rev. Paul B. Moore, husband of Mrs. Moore and pastor of the South 28th Avenue Baptist Church; Mr. Moore had been invited to speak in First Church in Monterrey Sunday, December 24, and one or more of the Baptist churches in Torreon.



FAR OFF JINGLE—Bill Richards (right) a fast-rising young city attorney, is confronted by "Uncle Charley," the crusading editor of a local newspaper with evidence that a \$2000 check Bill received for "services" was actually a pay-off. Almost too late the young attorney realizes that the easy money he's been earning constitutes bribery from his superiors. Title of this film in THE ANSWER series for 1962, produced for television by Southern Baptists' Radio-TV Commission, is "Far Off Jungle." It is the lead-off film of 13 to be telecast nationally beginning Sunday, January 7. It will be seen in Mississippi over these stations: WTOK, Meridian, 1:00 p. m. Sun., and WMCT, Memphis, Tenn., 8:30 a. m. Sun.; and WLBT, Jackson, 1:00 p. m. Sun.

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GROUP LEARNING CLINIC

FEBRUARY 12-16, 1962

BELLEVUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Memphis, Tennessee

Another "first" for Southern Baptists is scheduled for February 12-16, 1962, at Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee. This will be a Convention-wide week of study of the best methods and materials for effective group learning. This clinic will be directed by the Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board.

IT'S PLANNED FOR YOU

It's planned for YOU if you are a pastor, minister of education, youth director, children's workers, or other church staff member. OR if you are a Training Union general or department officer, counselor, leader or sponsor, department leader or associate leader, or member of an Adult or Young People's Union. OR if you are an associational superintendent of missions, associational educational director, or associational Training Union officer.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Group Learning Clinic is to train leaders by giving them opportunities to participate in the steps necessary in planning for effective group learning in Training Union. The major emphasis will be on learning by doing.

THE SCHEDULE

7:00-9:30 P. M.—Monday through Friday
8:45-12:15 P. M.—Tuesday through Friday
2:30-4:00 P. M.—Tuesday through Friday

NOTE TO PARENTS: There will be no provision made for Primaries, Juniors, and Intermediates from outside the Memphis area. There will be provision made for pre-school children during morning and evening sessions.

ACCOMMODATIONS

	1 Person	2 Persons	Per Person
HOTELS			
Claridge Hotel, 109 No. Main St.	\$6.90-11.00	\$8.50-16.00	\$3.00
King Cotton Hotel, 79 Jefferson	6.25-12.00	8.75-19.00	2.50
Madison Towers Apt. Hotel,			
Madison at Wellington	7.00	9.00-11.00	2.00
Peabody Hotel, 149 Union Av.	6.00-13.00	8.00-17.00	2.50
Tennessee Hotel, 80 So. Third	3.50-4.50	5.50-8.50	1.00
MOTELS			
Admiral Benbow Inn, 1220 Union Avenue	8.00	10.00-12.00	2.00
Downtowner Motel Hotel, 180 Union Avenue	8.00-10.00	9.00-14.00	2.00
Holiday Inn — Midtown, 1262 Union Avenue	7.00-11.00	9.00-11.00	2.00
Travelodge, 265 Union Ave.	6.00-9.00	8.00-9.00	2.00

PRIVATE HOMES

Write to Mrs. T. M. Deaton, 934 Kensington Place, Memphis, Tennessee.

LET'S ALL GO TO THE GROUP LEARNING CLINIC

In this issue we are beginning a cumulative list of all the people in Mississippi who are attending the Group Learning Clinic at Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis, February 12-16, 1962. Send your name and address to the Training Union Department, Box 530, Jackson, so that we might add your name to the group that is going. The first six names are listed below. Help us to keep the list growing.

1. Mrs. Joe T. Odle, Jackson.
2. Miss Evelyn George, Jackson.
3. Kermit King, Jackson.
4. James Harrell, Jackson.
5. G. G. Pierce, Jackson.
6. Mrs. C. W. Thompson, Ellisville.

FALLOUT SHELTERS BEING BUILT AT N. C. ASSEMBLY

SOUTHPORT, N. C. (EP)—Rev. Nane Starnes of Asheville, president of the General Board of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, has announced that fallout shelters are being constructed at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly grounds here.

The fallout shelters, he said, will be used for the Southport metropolitan area and will be maintained by Civil Defense personnel.

Areas For Fallout Shelters Urged For Churches Considering Building

NASHVILLE—A Baptist Sunday School Board worker said here this week that churches should consider including areas suitable for fallout shelters in their construction programs.

Paul M. Johnson, architectural supervisor in the board's Church Architecture Department, said a building of construction material that weighed 100 pounds a square foot "would be the beginning of a decent shelter."

He said any window in a proposed building "would be considered a hole," but that inside rooms or corridors might meet specifications with few alterations.

Johnson, addressing church building consultants from 28

state Baptist Conventions, said the board does not recommend basements in new churches since "they are impractical for many reasons."

Basements Suggested

However, he said many churches have basements and if they are underground, the basements are likely to meet specifications if the roofs offer sufficient mass for protection.

He said conditions in each church vary and that the Church Architecture Department would assist any Baptist church in planning for altering present churches or for including shelter areas in proposed churches. This assistance would be free.

He said a board committee is now considering how the board's facilities could be converted to adequate shelters.

He also showed slides of the areas in this country likely to be covered by fallout six hours after a nuclear blast. In 24 hours after the blast, almost all of the country east of the Mississippi River would be covered with fallout.

Veep Says U. S. Toils for Christ's 'Quest for Peace'

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)

The birth of Jesus Christ was "a turning point in the moral history of humanity," Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson declared here at the annual ceremony marking the lighting of the nation's Christmas tree on the White House grounds.

Mr. Johnson said America is dedicated to "Christ's quest for peace."

"Not the false peace of evasion and retreat," he said, "but the divine peace which comes as the fulfillment of striving and the climax of commitment."

"We will never falter in that dedication," he stressed.

The Vice President filled the place of President Kennedy at the ceremony when the President was called away by the sudden serious illness of his father, former Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy.

Vice President Johnson said that the Christmas season is a good time for meditation to "renew the deeper sources of spiritual strength."

"Our everyday existence is frittered away in distraction and detail," he declared. "We are too much the slaves of the moment. The Christmas season provides us an opportunity for repose and meditation."

Evangelism

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Church" will be the theme of the conference, to begin Monday evening at 7 o'clock and adjourn Wednesday at noon.

State Leaders

State leaders to appear on program will be Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer; Dr. Landrum P. Leavelle, pastor First Church, Gulfport; Dr. Bob N. Ramsey, pastor First Church, Brookhaven; Rev. Lloyd A. Sparkman, pastor First Church, Kosciusko; Joe Odenwald, Greenwood layman; Dr. Allen O. Webb, pastor Daniel Memorial Church, and Dr. Fuller B. Saunders, pastor Woodland Hills Church, both of Jackson.

Music will be under direction of W. C. Morgan, Jackson, music secretary.

The program will include inspiration addresses, conferences, special music, recreation and will close with a special appeal to dedication.

The Mississippi evangelism goal for 1962 is 21,400. The objective for 1963 is 22,700, while the goal for 1964 is 24,200.

Hospital Plans New Program

DALLAS (BP)—A new concept on hospital expansion—building satellite hospitals in outlying suburbs to ease transportation difficulties of the patients—was approved here by the Texas Baptist Executive Board.

Memorial Baptist Hospital in Houston was granted permission to lease a 100-bed hospital in a fast-growing Houston suburb as the first phase of a long-range development program.

Administrators of the Houston Baptist Hospital hope to build or lease within the next few years at least four, possibly five, such suburban "satellite" branches to be staffed by doctors from their main downtown hospital.

N. C. Governor Appraises Annuity Board Transaction

DALLAS, Texas—North Carolina's governor told an Annuity Board official that a purchase of a plant in Cornelius, North Carolina, by the latter does not give it any tax advantages.

Governor Terry Sanford's opinion was expressed in a recent letter to Fred W. Noe, treasurer of the Annuity Board, following a challenge made by a Raleigh News and Observer editorial which urged state authorities to "look into the purchase . . . for any possible loopholes in tax laws which such transactions might point up."

Any state or local taxes that would be paid by any other similar agency are being paid on this property, Noe said. The Annuity Board purchased the Cornelius plant in September as a part of its investment program and in turn leased it to Reeves Brothers, a manufacturing company. The price of the plant was \$7,000,000.

Governor Sanford's letter said in part:

"The purchase of a building by your board at Cornelius and its lease to Reeves Brothers, Inc. does not, in my opinion, vary from a well established practice of many foundations, trusts, endowments and pension funds. Your procedures do not give your board any advantage that are not enjoyed by other similar groups, either lay or religious."

Florida's Oath For Non-Communists Voided by Court

WASHINGTON (BP)—The United States Supreme Court has unanimously struck down a non-communist oath required of all public employees in the state of Florida.

The Florida law requires, among other things, that every state of local government worker swear that he has not and will not lend aid, support, advice, counsel or influence to the Communist Party.

Justice Potter Stewart, writing the opinion of the court, said the provision was too vague to be constitutional, and that it would inhibit perfectly lawful expression of opinion.

He added that while ruling against the Florida requirement, the Supreme Court was not questioning the power of the state to safeguard the public service from disloyalty.

Baylor to Get 54 Acres For Expansion

Waco, Tex. (BP)—Baylor University here will receive a 54-acre tract of land immediately adjacent to its present campus as the first phase of a multi-million dollar expansion program.

The Urban Renewal Agency gave formal approval of a bid from the Baylor-Waco Foundation to purchase the 54 acres



KIEV CHURCH—Sunday Editor Eugene Wyatt of the Nashville Tennessean snapped this photo of the Kiev Evangelical-Baptist Church on his trip through Russia. It shows worshippers lingering to chat after the two-hour-long, three sermon service.—Photo from Tennessean.

USSR Baptists Fill Churches

Editor's Note: Eugene Wyatt,

Sunday editor of the Nashville Tennessean, had a five-week, 8,000 mile trip through the Soviet Union. He traveled under a grant from the Southern Association of Nieman Fellows. Following is one in a series of articles. He has granted Baptist permission to reprint.

By Eugene Wyatt

The Sunday morning crowd at the Kiev Evangelical-Baptist Church would delight any middle Tennessee pastor.

The church building seats about 200. On the September morning I attended services there, every seat was occupied. The two aisles were filled with standing worshippers, all the way to the front of the church. The pulpit was crowded.

A small room back of the pulpit was filled. The corridor running alongside the auditorium was jammed. Outside in the courtyard, another 50 or so people listened through the windows.

The service lasted more than two hours. No one left during that time. None of those standing showed restlessness, even the very aged. The congregation was segregated by sex, the men filling one section, the women two.

There were many young people. Several men appeared to be in their early twenties. One blind young man was led in by

"The Breeze" Blows Off Press

The Fall issue of The Mountain Breeze, Blue Mountain College's literary journal is off the press, and is one of the finest and most attractive issues a staff has prepared. A number of changes have been made in the number.

All items in the Fall issue are creative works written by fifteen students and one faculty member.

Prose—" . . . And Son," by Gay Vinson, Tupelo; "Which way is right?" by Dorothy Ann Raymer, Blue Mountain; "The Protruding Shoe," by Helen Fulford, Cape May, N. J.; "Olivian," by Rebecca Tribble, Winston-Salem, N. C.; "The Horse and I," by Betty Ann Gunn, Pensacola, Fla.; "Expanding Horizons in College," by Elaine Weston, Memphis, Tenn.

Poetry—"Willy Brandy," by Jeanne de la Houssaye, New Orleans, La.; "Confederate Rest," by Ann Rogers, Mobile, Ala.; "Futility," by Cynthia Baumgardner, Orlando, Fla.; an unnamed piece by Frankie Clark, Falls Church, Va.; "Ministry of a Woman," by Renee Smith, Belmont, N. C.; "Poem," by Evelyn Eddleman, New Orleans, La.

Departments—"Students Editorial," by Jean Osteen, Hendersonville, N. C.; "Drama Review," by Lynette Chapman, Blue Springs; "Faculty Editorial," by Lester Groom, Professor of Organ; "Book Review," by Gladys Young, Watertford.

Jean Osteen, Hendersonville, N. C., is Editor, and Barbara Jett Moberly, Mo., is Business Manager. Dr. Walter P. Taylor, Dean of Blue Mountain, is Faculty Adviser for The Breeze.

put up for sale in a slum clearance program.

The Baylor-Waco Foundation, a group of Baylor students and Waco businessmen, will purchase the property for \$545,000 and deed the property to Baylor. The foundation's bid was the only one submitted.

an older woman.

No children were present. It is still illegal for churches to teach religion to children under 18. However, one member told me he taught his children lessons from the Bible daily at home. This is legal.

Of Yellow Brick

The church building itself is of yellow brick. A highway surrounds it to form a courtyard. A small Russian sign reads "House of Prayer. Kiev Evangelical Baptist Church."

Entrance to the church is through a door in the courtyard wall so small that even persons of normal height must stoop to enter.

I arrived a little late because the cab driver could not locate the building. A middle-aged man greeted me at the gate and asked in Ukrainian where I lived. A replied in Russian. He looked surprised, and said that all Soviet Protestants know Nashville well—because of the Southern Baptist operations here, and because of the Seminary (apparently this was a confusion with Louisville).

My seat was to the right of the minister speaking, on the first of five rows of seats occupied by deacons. Behind the minister sat the two ministers who were to speak later. There were three other men, apparently elders. Across the pulpit the choir stood, with the small portable organ in front of them.

Around the wall were little signs of Bible verses in ornate Russian lettering. One said: "For God So Loved the World That He Gave His Only Begotten Son That Whosoever Believes Him Should Not Die But Have Eternal Life."

The first minister spoke in Ukrainian, a dialect of Russian so radical few Russians under-

Names In The News

Rev. C. O. Estes, a former Mississippian, now serving in Utah as a pioneer mission pastor of the Home Mission Board, will visit the state early in January. He will be available for speaking engagements on the first or second Sunday in January or Wednesday night between and can be reached at Gulfport, address 2211 24th Ave. or Tel. 864-3496.

Rev. Roy Fulhove has been commissioned as a Chaplain with the rank of 1st Lieutenant in the United States Army. He will attend Chaplain's School at Fort Slocum in New York City for a period of nine weeks. He will then be attached to Combat A Armored Division at Fort Hood, Texas.

Missouri Board In Several Actions

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (M BN)—Missouri Baptists will spend a half-million dollars to enlarge their state assembly and \$750,000 to increase the capacity of Baptist Memorial Hospital in Kansas City by 120 beds, according to action of the Executive Board of the Missouri Convention here today.

The board also initiated the long-range phase of the multi-million dollar Missouri Baptist college campaign. The initial phase of the program began in May of this year and closed November 30.

stand it well. When he completed, he bowed his head and began a prayer.

All during the prayer, members of the congregation wept.

Then the choir sang. The strange mixture of evangelical fervor and the natural sadness of the Slavic folk music was extremely moving. Again the members wept.

Words Not Familiar

Neither the words nor music of any of the songs was familiar. The only song which I could make out appeared to start off "Great God, We Worship Thee. Eternally . . ."

The old gentleman sitting next to me had an ancient New Testament with Russian and Greek in parallel columns. He carefully followed each scripture citation by the minister. Between reading, he placed the book back in a little flannel slip cover which he kept on his lap, and buttoned it up tightly.

The next sermon was in Russian. The minister was Anatoli Linov, a well dressed man apparently in his thirties, with a vigorous black moustache. His sermon described the peace of mind which accompanies absolute faith in God. One homily seemed particularly Russian: The peace of God is like the waters of a river. Thick ice may form, but the waters continue under the ice. The river can be dammed, but ultimately the water continues its journey to the sea.

The third sermon, by Presbyter Alexei Andreev, was in Ukrainian. He is an old man with an extraordinarily dignified bearing. His lip trembled as he spoke, and the congregation wept more audibly than before.

After a collection—mostly coins—and announcements of the sick, the service was adjourned.

Men in the congregation came forward and kissed the ministers, full on the lips.

Outside, in the courtyard, the people who had been weeping so openly inside were almost jovial. Several of them crowded around me. One old lady said: "Tell the people in America that we want only 'mir'—Do you understand?—only 'mir'." Mir means peace.

Suddenly a drunken Russian passing in the street seized me by the arm. "Why do you photograph these uncultured, superstitious people? Come down the street, I'll show you something worth photographing." He pulled roughly at my arm.

It was the only unpleasant experience in the Soviet Union.

Later, one of the ministers of the Moscow Baptist Church, Ilya Orlov, told me that Baptists are multiplying rapidly in Russia.

Orlov said the Baptist magazine Brotherly Messenger is free to discuss any religious issue. He proudly gave me a copy.

A translation of one of the articles, however, proves the truth of the old saying about discretion and valor.

The article, by N. P. Konoplev, is entitled "One Peace For All the World." It quotes Mark 9:50: "Have Peace Among You," and Paul's letter to the Hebrews 12:14: "Try to have peace with all."

It also quotes Nikita Sergeevich Khrushchev, in his message to the UN: "The first step toward peace must be universal disarmament."

Mr. Konoplev writes the name of Jesus, Paul and Mark with only the first letter capitalized. Khrushchev is spelled all capitals.

1962 - Bomb Shelters or Church Buildings?

The year 1962 may well be a time of decision for Southern Baptists and other Christian groups. They may be facing the choice of whether the greatest need of the world is bomb shelters or new churches.

There has been much excitement about bomb shelters, or fallout shelters in recent months. Some national leaders have suggested that every family should consider building a shelter. There has been much discussion pro and con as to the value of such shelters in case of an atomic attack, and that debate continues. Even the question concerning moral responsibility for one's neighbors in the use of shelters has come in for wide discussion.

All Christian groups, and certainly Southern Baptists, must also consider the Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ to give the gospel to every creature. For Southern Baptists this is the year of Church Extension in the Jubilee Advance program. The goal is to establish far more new missions and new churches than ever before in our history. Every Southern Baptist is being urged to participate in the program of building new churches all across America and in nations around the world.

Here then, seems to be the issue before us as we enter 1962: to which shall we give emphasis, bomb shelters or church buildings?

Perhaps there are some who will say, we must build both. The matter of building a bomb shelter is a decision each family or community must make for itself. We cannot say what they should do. We are reminded, however, that the Psalmist said "For thou has been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy." (Psalm 61:3) It seems to us that the only true shelter that we as Christians can find is God. If we do not have His protection, we question the value of a few feet of concrete and steel. Nevertheless, we again say that the decision must be individual. Our hope is that Southern Baptists will not become so concerned about bomb-shelters, that they neglect the new churches, which God has commanded them to build.

It is our conviction that the world's major need in 1962 is these new churches... places of worship where the gospel is preached and lost people may find God. The greatest deterrent to atomic destruction is a mighty advance in giving the message of Christ to America and the whole world. If Southern Baptists and other Christian groups would pray until God sends a sweeping spiritual revival, and devote themselves to the greatest program of Christian witness the world has ever known, we believe the advance of Communism and other forces of darkness could be halted and forced into retreat, and a world in darkness could be brought to the light of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In the days of the Judges when the Midianites threatened to destroy Israel we are told that "Israel made them the dens which are in the mountains, and caves and strongholds." (Judges 6:2). Then the people cried unto God, and He raised up Gideon to lead the people in resistance to the enemy in which God gave deliverance to the nation. Strong enemies are marshalled against us today. Does God want us to crawl into caves and holes in the ground, or does He want us to launch an all-out spiritual attack? We do not oppose the preparations for security which our nation and other nations are making. We simply believe that the greatest needs are spiritual, and that God alone can protect us from the destruction that is threatened.

We cannot say what others should do, but for our selves we are convinced that God wants advance in His work. It shall be our purpose, in 1962 to promote that advance in every possible way.

Choosing the Speaker

Many editors and other Christian leaders are viewing with much concern the probability that Rep. John W. McCormack will succeed the late Sam Rayburn as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

This concern is not because Mr. McCormack is a Roman Catholic, but because of the kind of Roman Catholic he is. Of course, it is true that if he is chosen, three of the four top leaders of the United States government will be Roman Catholics. The others are President John F. Kennedy, and Senator Mike Mansfield of Montana, the Majority Leader of the Senate. (Vice-president Johnson is a member of the Christian Church.) Also the chairmanship of each national political party is now held by a Roman Catholic. Some of these men, however, have clearly shown that they can put the affairs of the nation above the affairs of the Roman Catholic Church.

The record of John W. McCormack is different. He has been a consistent advocate of his church's policies as far as legislation is concerned. For example, he is reported to have favored that federal education include aid for parochial schools. He is said to have "fought desperately" in 1952, against a bill that would have permanently blocked the appointment of a Vatican ambassador from the United States. Moreover, he has sponsored numerous bills making grants that especially favored his church, both in this country and in other lands. An example is pointed out by CHURCH AND STATE which says that he "personally sponsored and drove through Congress a series of bills which resulted in the payment of close to \$30,000,000 in frozen Japanese assets to Roman Catholic institutions in the Philippines." This was after many of the claims had been repeatedly rejected by the War Claims Commission.

Mr. McCormack's service to the Roman Catholic Church has been so significant that in 1957 the Pope invested him with the rank of Knight Commander of the Order of St. Gregory the Great, with Star. This award was stated to be for "civil and military" service to the Vatican. Congress had to pass a special act to allow him to receive this decoration from a "foreign power". Among his colleagues he is reportedly sometimes called "the Archbishop of Boston", because of his devotion to his church's interests.

Such is the man who in all probability will soon be the leader of our largest law-making body. What that can mean to the future church-state relations no one can predict. One can be sure that the recently restated purpose of the Catholic hierarchy to continue its effort to secure federal aid for public schools, and its other plans to breach the wall of separation between church and state, will lead to the use of any national leader who will be sympathetic to its purpose.

Editor Marse Grant of the North Carolina BIBLI-



Reputable Firm

—Memphis Press-Scimitar

CAL RECORDER has suggested that Mr. McCormack should publicly declare his position on church and state before the time for his election comes. Mr. Grant suggests that Mr. Kennedy did not hesitate to make a clear statement of his position, when he was requested to do so by a group of Texas ministers. Now, says Mr. Grant, Mr. McCormack should do the same thing. Such a statement would allow his colleagues and the whole nation to know exactly what to expect of him.

We do not believe in mixing church and politics, but when a politician mixes his political position with efforts to favor his religion, then the lovers of religious liberty and separation of church and state must not keep silent. We second Mr. Grant's suggestion that Mr. McCormack make clear his position, before Congressional members vote concerning the new office. It will help clear the atmosphere for all concerned.

It may be well to remember, as Editor E. S. James says in the TEXAS BAPTIST STANDARD, "The president has proved that a Catholic can put the country first, but McCormack has already proved that some Catholics put it in second place. America does not need that kind of men in this important post. Speaker Sam Rayburn was a Baptist, but never at any time did he plead for the private interest of his denomination. Let us pray that when Congress meets again it will fill the chair with another man who can be trusted to represent the interests of all the people regardless of their faith or lack of it."

The Baptist Record in 1962

The year 1962 will be the 86th in the publication of the BAPTIST RECORD. We who produce the paper, week by week, are determined that this shall be one of the best years in its entire four score and five year history.

Several features have been planned which we believe will be of wide reader interest. One will be a series of special pages on Home Missions. This is the year of Church Extension in the Jubilee Advance program, and the Home Mission Board has been assigned responsibility in leading this program. Throughout the year we shall be presenting special articles which will help acquaint our people with the vast scope and reach of Southern Baptist Home Missions.

A new columnist appears in our pages beginning this week. He is Rev. Riley Munday of Cleveland, who is well known in Mississippi as a speaker, pastor and student leader. His unusual ability to describe what he sees with a rare humorous vein will now be presented to Baptist Record readers through a column which he has chosen to call Magnolia Blossoms, and in which he will write about Mississippi Baptist life and work. We liked what we have already seen of this new feature, and we believe you will like it too.

Other new things are planned for 1962, along with improvement of many of the regular features of the past. To us it promises to be an interesting year, and we count on you, our readers, to help us to make it a great year in every way.

Historical Material Needed

The BAPTIST RECORD is seeking two types of historical material which some of our readers may be able to supply.

First, we are looking for copies of the BAPTIST RECORD published before the year 1900, and especially for copies which appeared before 1880. The oldest copy in the collection of the Mississippi Baptist Historical Society is the issue of April 4, 1878. This was during the second year of publication. If any reader has an older copy, or any copies of the early period, please write us about them, as we are very anxious to see them, and possibly secure them for the historical collection.

Second, we are needing good photographs of two of the former editors. They are J. B. Searcy and J. A. Hackett. We desire actual photographs and not pictures taken from newspapers or books. Anyone having such photographs should write us immediately, as we are anxious to borrow such photos to have copies made. Photos of all other editors are now in our hands. Persons possessing such pictures should write the editor before sending them in.

Baptist Beliefs

By Herschel H. Hobbs
Pastor, First Baptist Church
Oklahoma City, Okla.

DEATH

In the New Testament the word for "death" is used in three ways: (1) the death of the body wherein the soul is separated from the body (John 11:4; Acts 2:24; Phil. 2:27, 30); (2) the misery of the soul which results from the separation of the soul from God by sin, beginning on earth but continuing after death (Rom. 7:13; II Cor. 3:7; Eph. 2:1; cf. Luke 16:19ff.); (3) the final state of the wicked in hell (Rom. 1:32; Rev. 20:14; 21:8). All three are the result of sin (I Cor. 15:21-22, 56).

The new Testament does not regard physical death for the righteous with the dread found in the Old Testament. Jesus called "sleep" (John 11:11-14). Paul said, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain" (Phil. 1:21ff.). But, even so, death is regarded as an enemy (I Cor. 15:26), an enemy which God makes to serve Him; nevertheless, in releasing the Christian from a mortal body to receive an immortal one at the resurrection (Rom. 7:24-25; I Cor. 15:50ff.).

The greater emphasis in the New Testament is placed upon spiritual death. Even while men are alive physically, they may be dead spiritually (Eph. 2:1ff.; cf. Luke 15:24). The soul that is separated from God, by sin is dead, though actually the soul is immortal (John 5:24; 8:50; 8:21). But those who are alive spiritually shall never die spiritually (John 11:25-26). Thus for these physical death is shorn of its terror (I Cor. 15:55-57).

The intermediate state is the period between physical death and the resurrection. At death the physical body returns to the earth. But the souls of both the righteous and unrighteous enter Hades, the abode of the dead. Jesus entered Hades (Acts 2:31), as did the rich man in the parable (Luke 16:23). The rich man and Lazarus were in Hades, but separated, the former in torment and the latter in bliss (Luke 16:25). Unfortunately "Hades" is translated "hell" in the King James Version. But the Greek had a different word for the place of punishment (Gehenna). The English context, however, makes the distinction quite clear.

At physical death, therefore, all enter Hades, and remain in a conscious state. The lost endure punishment; the saved enjoy fellowship with Christ (cf. Luke 16). At the judgment this state of each is fixed eternally. There is no scriptural basis for "soul sleeping."

Magnolia Blossoms

By
Riley
Munday

WHY I LOVE

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

... So, I said to Dr. Joe Odle, the affable editor of the Baptist Record—"You know Dr. Joe, I'd rather be a Whip-poorwill Pea, Slick Okra and Sliced Tomato Baptist, preacher living in Mississippi in the Soaring Sixties, than a be a scion or a king living in any other age."

"Why?" he says to me with a twinkle forming crow's feet around his eyes—for he is a man of few words—kaf! kaf!

"Well, here's 'how come'."

Mississippi Baptists act like "kinfolks." From Owl Hollow, close to Memphis, to the Baptist Assembly, on the coast we have one thing in common. We love each other. Differences of opinion, sure. That's one reason we're Baptists—but that strange affection that many find in close family circles. We have it. Other good denominations have it too—but, somehow it seems, we have a double portion. Go anywhere in the state, knock on the door of any Baptist home. You will be well received. There will be a family warmth.

An immediate "kinship" will draw you together like an open fire, burning. There will be a wonderful meal—one of those rare, Mississippi kind—and afterward—a warm bed, with clean sheets, and no feeling of being away from home.

After a good night's sleep—a country breakfast: Hot coffee, eggs over-light, home-made biscuits with real butter, and home-canned pear preserves. When breakfast is over there will come a brief repast of fellowship; as you go to the door, they follow you out. "Goodbye, God Bless You; and More Mississippi Power and Light," and you climb into, under, or over whatever you are driving. Godspeed! You are on the open road, heading home.

The highway is clear—the open road lies before you. The hills fade fast away into the level delta. You go down the road with a song in your heart and a clean wind blowing thru your conscience.

Dr. Joe, do you think that 19 centuries ago, Jesus saw this ecstatic and golden moment in which we live? He must have. Aren't you glad that Mississippi Baptists and many other Christian friends KNOW HIM?

Don't you wish everybody did?

God bless and more Mississippi Power and Light.

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Pages

From The Past

By J. L. Boyd

50 YEARS AGO

Pastor P. I. Lipsey of the Clinton Baptist Church tells of the annual revival meeting in which returned Missionary W. Y. Quisenberry, did the preaching. The results were 73 additions to the church, twenty-eight for baptism. One young man of the student body of Mississippi College surrendered to preach the gospel and seven other young people volunteered for mission work.

Charles L. Lewis, ministerial student of Mississippi College, reports that members of his two churches in Jefferson County, Fellowship and Rodney, gave him such a "pounding" that he was not able to get back to Clinton with all of it.

The ladies of the Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, while the Convention Board was having its meeting in the Mission Room of the church, assembled various good things to eat and wear in another part of the building and packed a box for the Ministerial students at Mississippi College valued at \$122.50.

40 YEARS AGO

The ladies of the Missionary Society of the West Point Church packed two boxes, one for the Baptist Orphanage, Jackson, valued at \$260.00, the other for a home missionary in Louisiana valued at \$154.00.

The Mississippi College Alumni Association was organized at a supper meeting at the Edwards Hotel, Jackson. There were present more than 150 graduates and former students from throughout the state who subscribed \$3,300.00 "in less than 33 seconds" for the support of a Secretary. Captain "Goat" Hale and his followers were guests at the dinner.

25 Years Ago

In the B. Y. P. U. Tithing Campaign Secretary Aubrey J. Wilds reports the following Unions as having reached 100%: Aberdeen Juniors, Terry Seniors, Hickory Juniors, Okolona Seniors, Brookhaven Juniors and Louisville Seniors.

The West Laurel Church closed a successful meeting with twenty new members added to the church. Pastor R. R. Jones was assisted by Evangelist N. R. Stone as preacher and Singer Odum of Texas as song leader.

Florida Names New PR Director

JACKSONVILLE, Florida — (BP) — Charles E. Peterson of Jacksonville, associate secretary of Sunday School work for Florida Baptist Convention, has been elected the convention's director of public relations and promotion.

Peterson succeeded Gus Johnson of Jacksonville in the public relations and promotion work. Johnson had taken office as Executive Secretary of Florida Baptist Foundation, succeeding G. A. Leichter of Plant City, who retired.

Calendar of Prayer

January 8 — D. C. Applegate, Vice - President, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Bobby Fike, Bolivar association Brotherhood president.

January 9 — N. F. Greer, District Representative, Sunday School Department; Harold L. St. Gemme, Baptist Student Director, non-Baptist colleges, Jackson.

January 10 — D. O. Horne, Humphreys associational missionary; Louise Sumrall, Baptist Book Store.

January 11 — John A. McGuire, Adams associational Training Union director; Percy Barnett, staff, Baptist Children's Village.

January 12 — Mrs. Doris Augustine, Baptist Building; Jno. Brock, Baptist Building.

January 13 — Mrs. P. I. Lipsey, faculty, Mississippi College; Mrs. A. A. Greene, Training Union Approved Worker.

January 14 — Mrs. Helen McWhorter, faculty, William Carey College; Miss Sue Tatum, recording secretary, State WMU.

THE BAPTIST RECORD
KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED

Church-State Leader Cites Need For Men Of Character

By Glenn L. Archer,
Executive Director of POAU
Washington, D. C.
(Editor's Note: By vote of the recent State Convention, the Baptist Record is carrying below the full text of the address delivered by Dr. Archer.)

This nation, like ancient Gaul, is divided three ways on the question of church-state separation. The great majority of our citizens believe in the traditions of our forefathers and declare that every church should pay its own overhead. The second group unlawfully demands public taxes for every conceivable church activity — scholarships, grants, loans, tuition payments, hospital and orphanage aid, surplus commodities, public lands, urban renewals, donations, teachers' salaries, buses, textbooks and

some would invade the Foreign Missionary program with a Government Peace Corps. The third group advocates separation here and there, now and then, sometimes but not always.

The national organization which I have the honor to represent belongs to the first group. The Roman Catholic hierarchy belongs to the second. The third group is composed mostly of Protestants who unwittingly serve the Roman Catholic cause.

The whole question of church-state separation has been opened in our day by three circumstances: (1) the ever increasing growth of a welfare state that has projected its civil hands into every human activity and has tempted churches with shiny new easy tax dollars; (2) the aggressive and

well organized Roman Catholic power intent on social and political domination which presses for public taxes for its countless church agencies; and (3) by an apathetic and indifferent American citizenry which has forgotten its own history and heedlessly ignores the lessons of the bitter religious wars in Europe.

It is extremely difficult to pry apart the tangled threads of this explosive issue without being called a bigot, an enemy of religion, or even a Communist. In the last fifteen years I have often been the recipient of all three of these damaging appellations.

Urges Free Pulpit

Name calling dodges the issues. Those who exploit our justified fear of Communism as a tool to advance sectarian selfishness are enemies of true religion and of our civil government. The idea that we should subsidize religion to defeat Communism is false. The view that Protestants must join the Roman Catholic camp to avert Communism is absurd. The hint that Protestants cannot cope with the Communist threat is cheap propaganda.

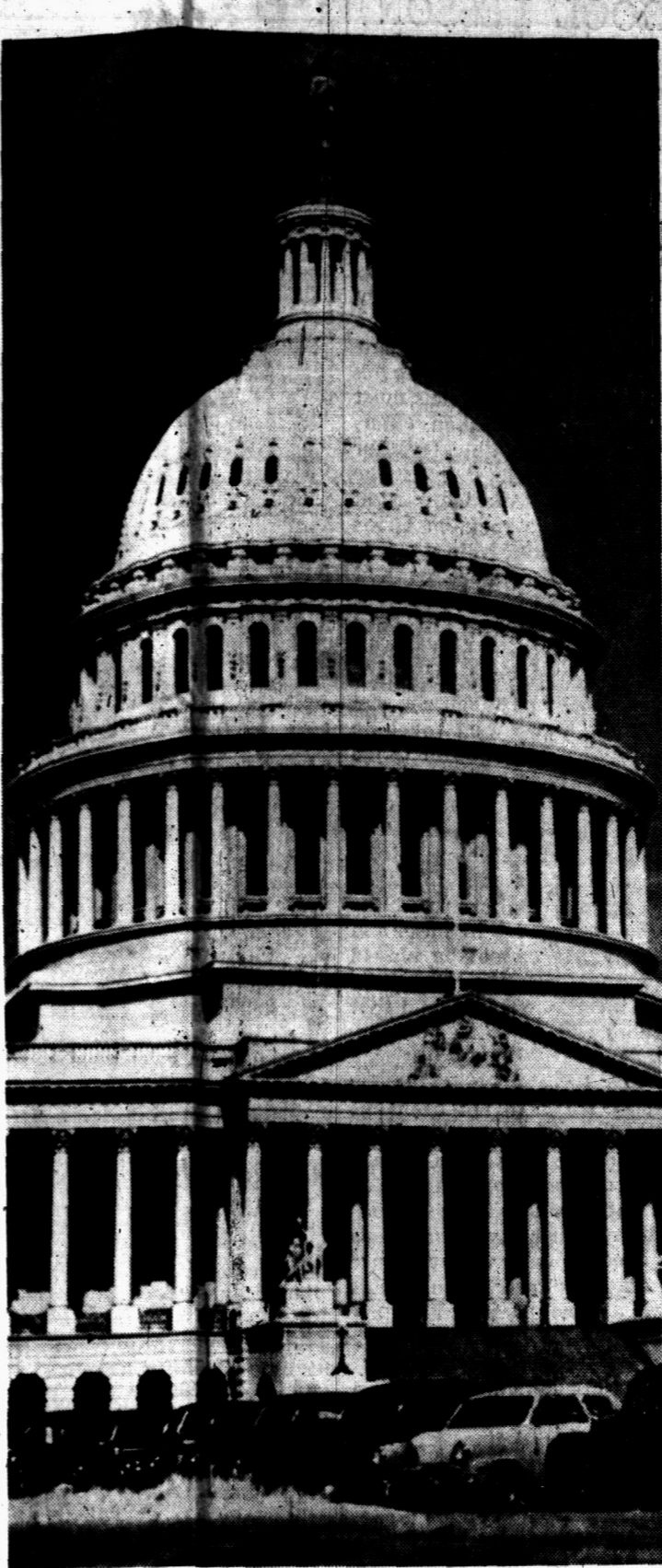
Give me a free Baptist conscience, a free Baptist pulpit, a dynamic spirit-filled Southern Baptist Convention, and I will show you the greatest force in the Nation against every form of evil, whether sin, Roman clericalism, or Communism! I believe that a free, tithing God-filled Baptist church has more power to withstand the evils of the day than any church financed by the state, or by the profits from bingo or even by the sale of Christian Brothers brandy! A tithing church is God's church and God's church is not weak, nor is it poor.

Today aggressive prelates present their case for your taxes in terms of a choice between "God and Caesar," implying that a choice against their unlawful tax claims is a decision against God. This is a false doctrine. Our American principle of separation is not a choice between God and Caesar. God is not advanced by Caesar giving tax money to church institutions! Separation is a rightful division of power between church and state in America. "A free government is never so bad as Caesar, and a church administered by mortal men is never so good as God."

Result Should Be Positive

Nor is separation merely negative. When you remove a weed from your garden the act is negative, but the result is positive. True, exercise of religion must be free. Denial of public taxes may be a "negative," but the result is positive and advances the free exercise of religion. James Madison understood this when he said "Religion flourishes in greater purity without than with aid of Government."

If I were the devil, and there are some who believe that I am, I could think of no better way to destroy organized religion than to force it upon people by a government tax. The tax is a death to the tithe; it destroys incentive in the parishioners, it excites religious tension and strife among the creeds; it plays the "tones" of politics rather than the "tones" of God; it confounds the state and confuses the courts. The church that seeks political power demonstrates that it has lost the only power a church needs — the power of God — and a church that has lost God's power is a mighty



ty poor investments for the state.

With a certainty, a clarity, and in profound wisdom the Supreme Court of the United States has declared separation is best for both the church and the state.

Whenever any church accepts money for any purpose whatsoever that church loses to some degree its independence. A church that is dependent upon the state cannot possibly be free to criticize the state that pays its bills. The glory of a free church is its independence to look upon the social and political and moral scenes and constructively criticize those scenes in terms of high values of morality and of the Gospels.

Proclaims Opposition

For fifteen years I have been proclaiming across the Nation my opposition to paying a tax to support any church. In this position I stand with American tradition and law. I also stand with Congress and the President. I am doubly opposed to paying a tax to support the Roman Catholic Church because of (1) this church's position against the American public school system, (2) its unilateral teaching concerning religious freedom, and (3) its age old practices of denying liberty to other creeds and churches.

The public school system languishes where Roman clericalism controls. Some prelates in America have said, "The Roman Catholic's first duty is to refuse to pay taxes to public schools." Others declare that public schools are "Godless." Still others have written that our American schools are "The Public Enemy No. 1." Roman Catholic parents are forced to boycott public schools in some areas. Roman Catholics are urged to vote against public school bonds in many American communities. The Roman Catholic prelates on March 3, 1961 made it clear that the President's public school program would fail unless that program provided for Roman Catholic Parochial schools.

No real American would deny the Roman Catholic leaders the right to speak their opposition to the American public school system, but it is not bigotry to denounce these verbal blasts and harmful acts against a cherished American institution. It is unthinkable that any good American versed in the history of our Nation and in the history of Europe and Latin America would weak-

ness, it is quite logical for Roman bishops to demand tax money "across the board" for Jesuit colleges, and for a variety of other church related institutions. They seek preference as a right.

A survey of Roman Catholic textbooks makes it clear that young minds in Roman Catholic parochial schools are taught that Protestants are heretics; that all other religions are counterfeit; that the truths of us hold dear in our churches are falsehoods. Pope Leo XIII said, "it is not lawful for the state... to hold in equal favor different kinds of religion." Do the Roman Catholics teach that you Baptists are free to choose your religion? In 1864 the Pope condemned that freedom! Do Roman Catholics teach the freedom of worship, freedom of conscience, and freedom of press. Read the Spanish catechism. Or come with me to Pennsylvania. Read House Bill 372, a censorship bill passed into law and later declared unconstitutional by Pennsylvania courts. It was a Roman Catholic censorship law. It would have given the Roman Catholics the power to rule the movie industry.

Then, again, I am opposed to paying taxes for Roman Catholic teaching, and industries because of Rome's bad practices here and abroad in religious matters.

Recently I completed a tour of the world, Spain, the beneficiary of our foreign aid, has closed 22 evangelical churches. Italy who without our aid, might have been in the Communist camp now, has denied permission to preach to nine of our evangelical leaders in Rome. I saw in Rome at a Southern Baptist mission windows broken by stones thrown by "fellow Christians."

Here at home our local public schools are being converted to Roman Catholic institutions with nuns as teachers. Our state legislatures are besieged with bills to change constitutions to allow public taxes for churches. Our recent Congress was bedeviled by prelates seeking special favors from federal funds. Senator Morse singled out Cardinal Spellman in a public address in Philadelphia as the man who defeated the President's program. Referendums are waged to get public taxes in some states. Organizations have been established to work for public taxes at the local, state, and federal levels. Roman Catholic power is on the march in America, and that power is bent on destroying the principle of church-state separation. The public press and national magazines hesitate to tell the full story of Rome's selfish drive for your tax dollar. A crisis is at hand while too many sleep.

It Is Not True

This is not true. It presumes that Protestants have unilateral concepts of freedom like the Pope. This is not true. It presumes that Protestants are ruled by a foreign Pope like Roman Catholics. This is not true. It presumes that Protestants are power hungry like the Roman hierarchy. This is not true. Protestants must be careful not to violate our laws; in fact, they should lean over backwards to obey these laws. But there is as much difference between Protestant mistakes and Rome's massive assault upon our way of life as there is between day and night.

The kind of civilization we have today in America comes directly out of the rebellion against Roman clerical tyranny and Roman Catholic parochial education. America's social, economic, and technological advances resulted from throwing off the yoke of clericalism. Those countries which still live unenfranchised are the seed beds of poverty, disease, unstable governments, and even Communism. Unfortunately too many of these states are Roman Catholic. Isn't it strange that right now while America drifts toward a Roman clerical state, some Roman clerical states are struggling fiercely toward a free state like our own?

I am opposed to tax support of all churches, and particularly Roman Catholic churches, because of Rome's unilateral concepts of freedom. In the first place the Roman Catholic Church does not teach that all churches shall be equal before the law. The parochial school system in this country teaches six million children every year that there is but one true church which the state must favor above all other churches. He

crumbling, or who did not believe the principal cause is Roman clericalism. Yet so many of these men are like Dr. Peale who recently wrote that he would never again speak about religious liberty because he did not like to be called a bigot. No one likes to be called a bigot. But it is a small price to pay for liberty. Some of us in POAU are happy to pay the price. We should be commended, not condemned.

Whether America holds to its heritage of freedom will depend upon the character of its people. The Walls of China spanned 1500 miles of chasm and mountains. No enemy could climb over this Great Wall. But the gate keepers lost their character and sold out to cheap bribes. Our laws are safer than the gate keepers of our treasuries. Men of character is our greatest need and the church is the greatest teacher of that character.

Rogers Honored By Schools of Missions Group

ATLANTA (BP) — Mission study in schools of missions attracted more than 1,236,000 Southern Baptists in 3,325 of the denomination's churches during 1961.

"Many other churches would have provided schools, but the number of missionaries available limits them," said Dr. L. W. Martin of Atlanta, secretary of the Missionary Education Department of the Home Mission Board.

The schools are intensive, week-long considerations of missions through study of age graded mission books, missionary speakers, visual aids, and rallies. They are sponsored jointly by the convention's state home, and foreign mission boards.

The announcement of the figures was made to directors of schools of missions from the state Baptist conventions at their annual meeting.

The group elected William B. Denson of Richmond, Va., president; Dr. Foy Rogers of Jackson, Miss., vice president; and Kenneth Day of Detroit, Mich., secretary.

Clendinnings Home On Furlough

Dr. and Mrs. Pat (B. A., Jr.) Clendinning, Southern Baptist missionaries to Europe, and their two sons arrived in Jackson December 22 for a brief furlough. They live at 4005 Hanging Moss Road.

Dr. and Mrs. Clendinning are associated with the Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon - Zurich, Switzerland, which, he says, "assists in training European Baptist leadership and co-operates with the various national Baptist unions in any way that it can to enrich their work."

Dr. Clendinning directs the seminary's summer sessions and teaches speech, psychology, and religious education. Since missionary appointment in 1958, he has led or participated in religious education conferences in 10 nations of Europe and the Near East and has directed similar conferences at Ruschlikon for Baptists of all European countries. He has worked with European Baptist leaders in publishing their first Sunday school literature for adults. He is also helping to plan a European Baptist radio ministry.

Mrs. Clendinning Active Mrs. Clendinning, the former Monte McMahan, is a native of Batesville. Graduate of Blue Mountain College, she attended Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, and received the master of religious education degree from Southwestern Seminary, where she was an associate professor of religious education at the time of missionary appointment.

In Switzerland she supervises activities of the seminary nursery, which she helped to organize. She organized and now directs the first Girl's Auxiliary in Switzerland.

The Clendinnings' two sons are Byron David, two, and John Stanley, 10 months.

Foreign Mission Board Reports To The People

Letters Say Thanks For Mission Work

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, shared with the Board two letters from overseas expressing observations as to the values of mission work. One from a lieutenant colonel stationed in France with the U. S. military forces. After visiting the English-speaking Baptist church in Orleans, where Southern Baptist Missionary Jack D. Hancox is pastor, he wrote, "I think that I can safely advise the Southern Baptist Convention that its money for mission work in France is being very well spent and that the dividends that accrue may be out of all proportion to the money expended."

The other letter is one of appreciation from a Brazilian. He writes: "This morning as I read newspapers, I was thinking about the situation of the whole world today. The United States of America have been so much misunderstood throughout the world, and I am afraid and ashamed that sometimes we Christians in other countries do not help to show the true picture. We have gotten so many things from your people, from the Southern Baptists, your money, lives, and friendship all these years. Mine is a broken English, but there is deep meaning and sincerity when I tell you this simple word — Thank you!"

Dr. Cauthen said that a summary report on the work of the Board throughout this year will be made at the January meeting. "However, at this point we can look backward with much gratitude and ahead to the year which is to come with encouragement and anticipation," he said.

Crawley Sees India As Possible Field

In his report, Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, told of recent investigations into the possibilities for Southern Baptist mission work in India. The Board then asked Dr. Crawley to follow up possible avenues of entry into the country, with the hope of bringing specific recommendations at a later meeting.

With its more than 400,000,000 people, India is one of the major countries of the world, exceeded in population only by China. It shares with Japan the industrial leadership of Asia.

It ranks as probably the most religious country in the world, and the dominant Hinduism is the world's oldest historic religion. The modern missionary movement began in what is now a part of India with the work of William Carey. India's Christian population, with perhaps 2,000,000 communicant evangelical members, is the largest in Asia. But this is still only about one half of 1 per cent of its total population.

Until after World War II the Foreign Mission Board made no serious attempt to enter India. Plans for the foreign mission advance program, presented to the Southern Baptist Convention in 1948, included India as a possible future field; and in 1950 two missionary couples who had been serving in China applied for visas. They were not granted, however, for by that time India was a newly independent country and was restricting immigration.

Over the past 10 years, the Foreign Mission Board has

maintained periodic contacts with mission and government personnel in India in order to follow any promising leads toward an entry. Through recent visits to the country and other contacts Dr. Crawley has come to believe that there are now possibilities for sending in a token Southern Baptist missionary force.

"I would urge that Southern Baptists keep these explorations in their prayers that God may open a door for us to India according to his own will," Dr. Crawley said.

Goerner Believes Work In Uganda Now Possible

Reporting from Nigeria where he has temporary headquarters, Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, said that two somewhat contradictory yet complementary impressions have dominated his thinking during his first weeks in the country.

"On the one hand, there is a sense of gratitude for the achievements of the past century of mission work, amazement at the rapid progress now going on, and conviction that the responsibility in the future must pass more and more into the hands of Nigerian leadership," he said. "On the other hand, there is the overwhelming sense of need, the enormity of the unfinished task, and the conviction that the day of the missionary has by no means ended. Missionaries are still needed, still wanted, and still more overworked than ever."

Dr. Goerner gave the main address at the graduation of 28 Africans from the Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary on December 1.



Rev. J. Ray Grissett

Accepts Church In Florida

Rev. J. Ray Grissett resigned the Beaumont Church, Beaumont, effective Dec. 31, to accept the call to Cove Church, Panama City, Florida. He has also relinquished his position as Superintendent of Missions in the Perry Association where the Beaumont Church is located.

Rev. Grissett, who began his ministry in Jan. 1952, was ordained by the Main Street Church, Hattiesburg. He was pastor of Richburg Church in Lamar Association six years before accepting the Beaumont Church in June, 1958.

He attended Clarke College, a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary.

He served as Moderator both in Lamar and Perry Associations in Perry Association he served on the State Convention Board for three years before becoming Superintendent of Missions.

During the Greater Clarke

College Expansion Campaign, now in progress, he is serving as a District Chairman and as a member of the College's Advisory Board.

The Beaumont Church, under his leadership, has in hand advance plans for a 6,000 sq. ft. educational unit with over \$11,000.00 in the building fund for use on this unit. The church led the association in baptisms, per capita giving to mission causes, and in per capita giving through the Cooperative Program this past year.

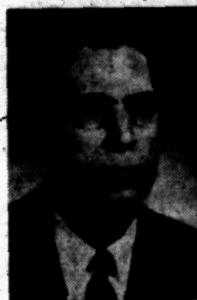
He is married to the former Thelma Saucier of Hattiesburg who holds a degree in Music Education from Mississippi Southern College, with a major in voice. They have one son, Jerry Ray Grissett, Jr.

The Cove Church address is P. O. Box 12115, Panama City, Florida, and their home address will be 1904 Cherry Street.

—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Laws For Living

By Clifton J. Allen
Exodus 34; Deuteronomy 5:
1-21; Matthew 5:1-20



Our lessons for the new year begin with a unit on "Jesus and the Ten Commandments." We will thus study the eternal moral imperatives set forth by the Ten Commandments in the light of the fuller truth set forth by Jesus Christ. These Commandments were given to the children of Israel at Mount Sinai. In them God declared the basic religious and moral duties of man. And yet we must see them in the light of Jesus' teaching in order to understand their religious and moral content and their eternal significance. This first lesson is introductory to the entire unit.

THE LESSON EXPLAINED
The Giving of the Law (Ex. 34:1-4) The setting in which the Ten Commandments were first given needs to be kept in mind. The children of Israel delivered by God from bondage in Egypt, journeyed to Mount Sinai. Following supernatural manifestations of his power and holiness and glory, God spoke the words which we call the Ten Commandments. But while Moses tarried in the mountain, the Israelites asked Aaron to make gods for them; and they worshiped the golden calf. With angry disgust, Moses cast down the tables of stone on which the Commandments were written,

so that they were broken. Moses later recovered his self-control and besought God in an agony of prayer to forgive his wayward people.

God commanded Moses to take two tables of stone and come again into the mountain—but to come alone—and present himself before the Lord. Further, God forbade either man or beast to come near the mountain. God thus renewed his covenant and showed something of his infinite mercy. Everything about this situation was meant to impress upon the people the absolute holiness of God. The Israelites needed an overwhelming sense of God's perfect holiness that they might worship him with reverential fear and that they might accept his commandments and laws with respect for their authority.

The Divine Lawgiver (Ex. 34:5-8). Having called Moses to come up into the mountain, God now revealed himself in a special way. The heart of this revelation was a proclamation of the name of Jehovah and an interpretation of the nature and disposition of the Almighty. Jehovah was God's covenant name. It emphasized God's covenant relationship with the people of Israel.

It was of utmost importance for Moses to understand the nature of God as the divine Lawgiver. God combines in his being both mercy and wrath. He is slow to anger, but his anger is a righteous reaction to sin. He is willing to forgive, but he cannot forgive apart from repentance. God's loving-kindness is beyond measure and beyond description, but it will not cause him to treat disobedience lightly or to ignore sin. God is himself a moral being, and the moral law is an expression of the moral nature of Jehovah. It is therefore a part of God's holiness and sovereignty to make operative the consequences of goodness and the consequences of iniquity.

Jesus' Attitude Toward the Law (Matt. 5:17-20).

These verses are a part of the Sermon on the Mount. The meaning of Jesus' words is that he did not come to set aside, to break down, to undermine, or to disparage the laws of God given to the children of Israel. He confirmed every moral requirement of the Ten Commandments. In his various teachings he interpreted the religious and ethical content of the Ten Commandments. And he demonstrated in his own life the ideal character visualized by perfect obedience to the Commandments. The moral

laws of God must stand. "Not the smallest letter, not a particle" will be cancelled or abrogated. Obedience to the Ten Commandments, therefore, is a sacred obligation of every person. Willing obedience should be an unwavering purpose. The righteousness required of Christians by Jesus must be inward rather than external. It must be ethical rather than ceremonial. It must be real in terms of doing right and rejecting wrong, in terms of moral goodness in thought and word and conduct.

Truths to Live By
God's laws express his moral demands.—The moral nature of God and the moral nature of man must be taken seriously. Right and wrong must be regarded. To trifle with God's laws—to ignore them or violate them—is to show contempt for God himself. The thunders and lightnings of Sinai were not meant to make God seem despotic or ruthless but to impress his holiness and majesty. He cannot be played with. Rather, in the fear of the Lord there is wisdom, and that wisdom will show itself in obedience.

God's laws are a guide for life.—We have not been left without moral direction in all areas of moral duty. God has given us principles to guide worship, human relations, social responsibility, and one's conduct in business or pleasure or trade or profession. God's laws are not rules which are impossible to keep but principles by which to test every course of action, every response to duty, and every reaction to temptation. His laws are not meant to bind us but set us free in ways of righteousness.



Rev. Mel Craft

Arizona Elects Mississippian As

SS Secretary

The Baptist General Convention of Arizona has appointed Rev. Mel C. Craft as State Sunday School Secretary.

Pastor at First Baptist Church, Chandler, Arizona, for the past three years, Rev. Craft was formerly pastor in Mississippi, his last pastorate in the state having been at Centerville.

The Mississippi native and Mississippi College graduate began his new duties in Arizona on January 2.

Rev. Craft is married to the former Emmy Lou Mitchell of Nicholson, Mississippi. They and their nine-month-old son, Craig, will reside in Phoenix.

Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance,
Training Union Attendance,
Additions To The Church

DECEMBER 31, 1961	
Belden	149
Bloom, Big Ridge	161
Booneville, First	326
Crestwood Mission	57
Brace, First	298
Marion	279
Clinton, First	19
Main	400
Mission	370
Carnation, Okolona	30
Greenwood, North	93
Gulfport	227
Grace Memorial	260
No. Ward Chapel	21
Hattiesburg:	
University	95
Main Street	796
North Main	36
Wayside	748
Main	517
38th Avenue	223
Jackson:	
Richie Woods	840
Broadmoor	843
Robinson Street	255
Hillcrest	125
First	1343
Daniel Memorial	886
Magnolia Park	77
Highland	246
Parkway	797
Indianola, Second	145
Laurel	190
Glade	558
McComb:	
Locust Street	187
South	240
East	326
Central	216
Navilla	138
Price Street	65
Newton, First	382
Pearson (Rankin)	164
Pascagoula, First	524
263	129
Petal, Temple	180
Pontotoc, First	333
223	142
Quintman, First	321
Starkville, First	650
Tupelo, Harrisburg	580

Last Charter Member Of New Hope Dies

William Hillard (Hill) Roberts, the last of the faithful few who organized New Hope Baptist Church (Covington) in 1881, died Wednesday, November 29, at ninety-two. He had been a life-long resident of New Hope Community near Mt. Olive.

Since early in life, Mr. Roberts had been a lover of the Lord and a worker for His Kingdom. He was a firm believer in his church, and a strong supporter of it as long as he was able. He served as church clerk for years.

Mr. Roberts married the former Mary Elizabeth Day. Had he lived until December 3, 1961, they would have celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary.

Funeral services were conducted from New Hope Baptist Church with the pastor, Rev. George E. Meadows, officiating, assisted by Rev. Chester Roberts, Rev. William Jackson, and Rev. G. T. Henderson. In his message, Rev. Meadows compared Mr. Roberts to Abraham, who had faith in a great God, to Solomon who had wisdom given only by God, to Noah who feared God and was obedient to His commands, to Job who had patience and trusted God, to Simon Peter who loved Jesus, and to Enoch who walked with God.

Cole's Crk. Church Organized in 1791

The story entitled "State Convention to Mark 125th Anniversary Dec. 24" in the Dec. 21st issue stated that the Cole's Creek Church was constituted in 1781.

This was a typographical error. The correct date should have been 1791.

The story also said that grand total mission gifts in 1961 were \$34,948.892. The paragraph should have read grand total mission gifts in 1960 were \$20,750.298.

Churches In The News

Byram Church

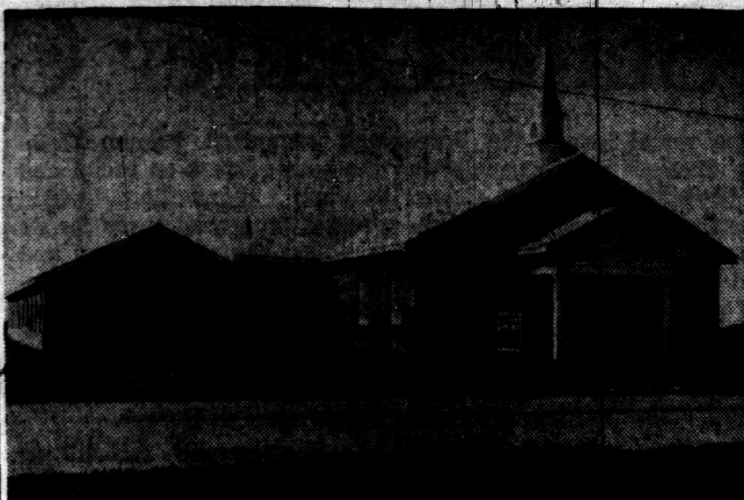
Forty-five attended the Father-Son Banquet at Byram Church December 18 at 7 p. m. Twenty-three men and twenty-two boys were present at the banquet, which was sponsored by the church's Brotherhood, E. R. White, President.

Lee Fernell, State R. A. Secretary, was the featured speaker.

The dinner was prepared and served by the ladies of the W. M. U.

The Brotherhood paid the W. M. U. for the plates, and the money was then given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

R. G. Stewart is R. A. leader at Byram; R. A. H. J. Bennett is the pastor.



YALE STREET Church, Cleveland, has experienced considerable growth since its organization in 1954. Especially has this been so during the past two years as the membership has more than tripled. The Church has increased its giving to missions through the Cooperative Program. Approximately seventy-five per cent of the membership pledged to tithe during a recent stewardship emphasis. An educational annex was completed in 1960. On October 4, 1961, the Building Committee recommended that the church purchase additional property, remodel the present sanctuary, install a heating and cooling system, and erect another educational annex. The heating and cooling system is now being installed, and the remainder of the program should be completed early in 1962. Rev. Paul Wilson is pastor.

Books Announced for Special Sunday School Weeks for the Year 1962

NASHVILLE—Three special weeks—each with specific Christian enrichment and training objectives—are projected annually in the Southern Baptist Convention through its Sunday School Board.

Church Membership Study Week—March 18-24 in 1962—emphasizes the training of church members. The Sunday School Board's Training Union Department suggests certain books for study during the week. Seven texts have been recommended for study next year. By age groups, titles and authors they are:

Adults, "The Christian Life," H. Guy Moore; Young People, "Victorious Living," W. F. Howard; Intermediates, "Eight Steps Toward Maturity," David E. Mason; Juniors, "As Jesus Grew," Mrs. Emily Appleton; Primaries, "Pleasing God With My Body," Mrs. Doris Moore; Beginners, "Friends Who Help Us," Mrs. Annabeth McQuaid Rogers; and Nursery children, "When I'm At Church," Mrs. Ann Huguley Burnette.

Operation Home Study Week helps churches plan a promotional program for home study of church study course books during the summer. Books recommended by the board's Sunday School Department for this emphasis in 1962 are:

"Know Your Hymns," by Edmond Keith and Gayle L. McGlothlen; "Church Public Relations at Work," by Gormer R. Lesch; "Studies in Philipians," by Ralph A. Herring; "Not Your Own," by Claire Hill Cooper; and "We Southern Baptists," by Norman W. Cox.

Sept. 23-29 is suggested as the dates for Sunday School Preparation Week next year. Its basic purposes are:

Enlarging the Sunday School,

preparing it for growth in the coming year, training the workers, launching the Sunday School program for the year, and mobilizing all the workers to achieve the basic objectives of the Sunday School.

Two books will be offered in 1962—"Outreach for the Unreached," by A. V. Washburn, and "The True Functions of the Sunday School," by Arthur Flake.

M. B. C. B. Bookkeeper's Mother Dies at 76

Mrs. F. S. Ross, mother of Mrs. Van Cotton, head bookkeeper at the Baptist Building, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, died early December 20, 1961, after a long illness.

A member of Griffith Memorial Baptist Church in Jackson, Mrs. Ross, a widow for a number of years, would have been 77 on February 11, 1962.

Funeral services were held Friday, December 22, 1961, at Wright and Ferguson Funeral Home in Jackson, with Dr. Kermit Canterbury, pastor of Griffith Memorial Church, officiating.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Van Cotton, Jackson, and Mrs. C. J. Spencer Jr., LaPorte, Tex.; one son, Semmes Ross, Jackson; and five grandchildren.

God does not always send us to places we are fitted for; he sometimes fits us for the places he sends us. — Euby (Mrs. Horace Victor) Davis, missionary to Brazil.

Off The Record

As he paid his bill, the departing guest turned and yelled to the bellboy. "Quick, run up to room 424 and see if I left my razor. Run, because I've just seven minutes to catch my train."

Five minutes later the boy raced back to report breathlessly, "Yes, sir, it's up there!" —The Watchman-Examiner

Californian: You say you caught a fish?

Texan: Yep, but it was too small to fool with, so I had a couple of other guys help me throw it back in the water.

—The Triange

The little boy, just returned from a trip through the West, was telling his experiences. "There we were in the middle of the desert," he said in a shuddery voice. "Indians to the right of us, Indians to the left of us, Indians in front."

"Wowee!" cried his friend "What did you do?"

"Well," replied the other, "I He suddenly caught sight of his mother's fixed glare. "Well," he went on, "what could we do? We bought a blanket."

—American Medical Journal

Pop: (reading from paper) Over five thousand alligators go each year to make wallets.

Mom: Isn't it wonderful that they can be trained to do that!

—Upward

Two Chinese characters adequately express the timbre of the times. Together they mean "crisis"; separately they mean "dangerous" and "opportunity." — George R. Wilson, Jr., missionary to Hong Kong.

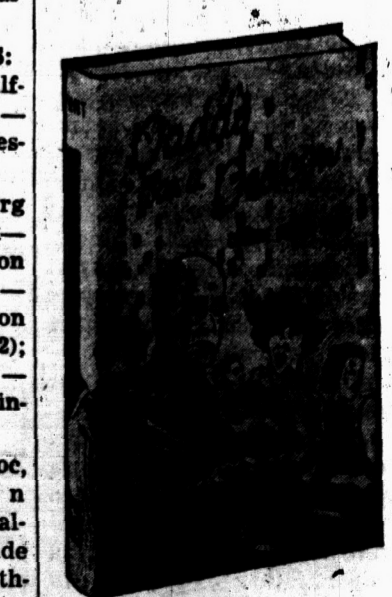
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MC Ranks Fourth Among Southern Baptist Colleges in '61 Graduates

Mississippi College ranks fourth in the country among Southern Baptist colleges and universities in total number of 1961 graduates according to a recent report in "The Southern Baptist Educator".

The report, compiled by the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention in cooperation with the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools.

Out of the thirty-one senior colleges operated under Baptist control, only Baylor University in Texas, Wake Forest College in North Carolina, and the University of Richmond in Virginia turned out more graduates than did Mississippi College. The report showed Baylor University with 1,151 graduates, Wake Forest with 484, University of Richmond with 450 and Mississippi College with 427.

Of the 427 graduates receiving degrees from Mississippi College, 79 students received the master of arts or master of education degree while 348 received one of the five bachelor degrees offered by the college.

7th In Net Enrollment

The Education Commission report also showed the Mississippi College was seventh in net enrollment among Baptist colleges and universities as of October 1, 1961. Heading the list with the largest number of students was Baylor with an enrollment of 6,077. Following in order were Wake Forest with 2,869, Howard College with 2,188, University of Richmond with 2,160, Stetson University

Enrolment at N.O. Seminary Up

NEW ORLEANS, LA. — The enrolment increase at New Orleans Seminary for the first term of the 1961-62 session was maintained during the second quarter registration, according to figures released from the office of Dr. George C. Herndon, registrar.

The cumulative total enrolment for the two registration periods of the 1961-62 session shows an overall enrolment of 802, compared with 762 for a similar 1960-61 period.

The sharp increase of 40 over last year's figure can be partly attributed to the enrolment of 27 young married women from the seminary in a course designed for pastors' wives.

This course is normally taught during the fourth quarter and the enrolment figures counted for that period.

Simmons Urges Day Schools For Baptists

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP) Southern Baptists have been urged to establish and maintain day schools on both the elementary and secondary levels.

A California Baptist educator, Loyd R. Simmons of Riverside, said, "Annually, if we are to conserve the leadership potential of our youth, then Christian education for grade and high school ages becomes even more important than such training during college years." Simmons is president of California Baptist College.

Principal speaker at a Missionary Day Service at Golden Gate Seminary, Simmons claimed the "secularizing tendencies of the public schools are robbing us blind, so far as our potential Christian leadership is concerned."

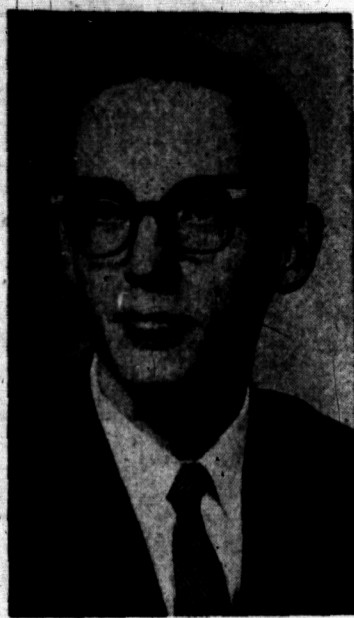
I do not here charge the public school system, as do some, with being godless. The public school, rather, is secular in nature and is a true reflection of the spiritual condition of America — being no more godless or godly than our nation."

The Baptist educator asked: "Can we continue to turn them (children) over to a completely secularized system of public schooling for most of their waking hours and still be faithful to God's command to teach his word diligently, continuously and intensively to them?"

with 1,768, Hardin-Simmons University with 1,714, and Mississippi College with 1,670.

All told the 31 Southern Baptist senior colleges had a net enrollment of 36,789 students as of October 1, 1961. The total number of graduates for the schools in 1961 was 6,555.

Mississippi College is the second oldest educational institution supported by Baptists. Furman University, of Greenville, South Carolina, was founded in 1825 and Mississippi College came into being January 24, 1826.



Rev. Norman Perkins

Is Licensed At Robinson St.

Rev. Norman Perkins has been licensed to preach by Robinson Street Church, Jackson, where he is a member. He surrendered to the gospel ministry during the church's revival in August.

A Mississippi College student, Perkins served as youth pastor during Youth Week, observed since Rev. Robert H. Ledbetter's coming to the church as pastor in July.

Due to the pastor's illness, Rev. Norman Perkins took charge of the Student Night program December 31.

Wisconsin-Minnesota Association Aims At Doubling Missions

MADISON, Wisc. (BP) — Every Southern Baptist church in the Wisconsin-Minnesota Baptist Association has adopted a goal to establish a new mission or preaching station by October 1962.

The 14 churches and three missions set the goal as their part in the Baptist Jubilee Advance for Church Extension, said Frank B. Burress, superintendent of missions for the association.

Organized in 1956, the two-state Baptist association has expanded until it now encom-

pases 1,785 members over a vast area.

American Baptists, who have been working in Wisconsin and Minnesota for more than a century have 139 churches there. Combined population of the two states is seven million.

Baptized 168

During the past year, churches in the Wisconsin-Minnesota Association baptized 168 people, 20 more than their previous high. Ratio of baptisms is about one for every 11 members compared to the Southern Baptist Convention average of a-

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New Intermediate Editor Named

NASHVILLE—Josephine Pile has been named to succeed Annie Ward Byrd as editor of Intermediate Sunday School lesson courses in the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

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The work in the two states is jointly sponsored by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board and the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

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BMC GRAD HONOR GUEST AT PTA

At the December meeting of the Blue Mountain PTA, Mrs. Sallie Lou Ratliff, long-time elementary teacher at Blue Mountain Public School, now director of the program of student teaching in Blue Mountain College, was guest of honor. (Mrs. Ratliff retired from her position as principal of the elementary school at the close of last session).

The PTA presented Mrs. Ratliff with a silver cream and sugar set. The faculty of Blue Mountain Public School System gave her a silver tray. A reception followed the program.

Tributes of appreciation were read, honoring Mrs. Ratliff as friend and teacher. A part of the lengthy testimony to her years of splendid service follows:

"From kindergarten days on, one has many teachers. As the years roll on they blend and fade into a hazy background — many are forgotten entirely, some are but a faint memory, but an occasional one remains brilliantly etched in your memory for the lessons taught, the hopes instilled, the ambitions fired, and the ideals impressed into your consciousness. Such is the one whom we are to honor tonight.

"She was well prepared for her work. She is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and holds a Master of Arts Degree from George Peabody College for Teachers.

"She is one who is a visualizer of life and not a merchant of facts.

"She is deeply concerned that each child should have warm clothes and enough food to eat. She often remarked that she could not teach a cold, hungry child.

"She is concerned about the discipline of the boys and girls. Good behavior is expected at all times. Yet she is broad-minded enough not to confuse

New Year—New Task

By EDWINA ROBINSON
Executive Secretary, Mississippi WMU

Since time began we have had years and we have had tasks! However anything is "new" that has not been tried before. So many of the things of God has promised us do not become ours because we fail to meet His conditions. To the un-



believer the unknown foreshadows fear, insecurity; the untried brings hesitancy, uncertainty. To the Christian, the unknown and the untried become a clarion call to faith and effort. Today we are surrounded by dangers and difficulties. Frantic efforts for survival and security are being made by many. It is easy to give way to our fears and frustrations.

As the children of Israel stood in sight of the promised land they also faced the unknown and untried. The majority pointed to the difficulties, the dangers, the possibility of annihilation but "Caleb" still the people before Moses, and said "Let us go up at once and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it." This is our challenge for the New Year. It is to be entered with a sense of urgency, recognition of a task to be done and with assurance of strength and power for the doing.

Today there are open doors for witnessing that tomorrow may be closed. People next door to you, in your community—your town, who will be transferred, uprooted and moved on. These can become doors for you! Life has a way of daily opening and closing doors. There is a sense of urgency in our world today. This is running out. "Let us go up AT ONCE." Today is our day. When we "possess" we bring under the influence of. That's the business of Christians — soul-winning, evangelism, missions — bringing people under the influence of Christ. This is our task — individually, collectively.

Assurance is given of available strength and power. This for most of us is new because we have not really tapped the Source. We know the fact of this but faith exercised brings the fulfillment. We are linked to Him who is power and strength and through Him we can do all things. Confidently, expectantly and with dedication and determination we enter this New Year.

"The year that opens before me is untried. I know not what it holds for me of joy or pain, what must be done and what borne; what given and what forgiven. But I welcome another year, for hitherto there has been more happiness than sorrow, more friends than enemies, more work than play, more reward than merit. To the New Year I give such as I have, plus what I long to be. To be more in my home, where I am off guard; to mean more in the larger household of faith where I am on duty; to help the truth by approving the things really excellent; to be faithful amid cares; to illustrate great principles in small duties, not to linger content with the good in my quest for the best; to aim high and look up."—Selected.

evil with that which was only immature."

"Gladly she teaches, for she believes in the personal worth and potential ability in every child."

"Reverently does she teach, for the guidance of the young toward high ideals and lofty achievements is a sacred trust.

A deacon does not bring to bear brotherly love only as he meets fellow church members. His neighbors know, or ought to know, that he is a deacon. They expect him to act like one in every neighborly encounter.

—Gomer R. Lesh in January Church Administration.



NASHVILLE — Surveying Southern Baptists' program of church architecture are two Latin missionaries and the secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Architecture Department. W. Lowrey Cooper (L), missionary to Argentina, and James E. Lingerfelt (R), missionary to North Brazil, confer with W. A. Harrell. The three were principal program participants at a meeting of church building consultants from each Southern Baptist state convention and the Church Architecture Department staff.

48 Apartments Dedicated At Southwestern

FORT WORTH, Tex. — A special dedication service for six new buildings that added 48 apartments to the J. Howard Williams Student Village was held Tuesday morning at Southwestern Seminary.

Robert E. Naylor, president of the seminary said, "These six buildings today we dedicate to God in expression of our dedication to Christ in what we are doing as Southern Baptists."

The new buildings constructed at a cost of \$500,000 bring the total to 18 buildings and 144 apartments.

In the first full session of the seminary trustee which was held this morning at 9:00 a. m., Mr. William Fleming, was re-elected president of the Board of Trustees.

Another major item was the adoption of an operating budget of \$1,605,000 for the year 1962-63.



Donald Brown

Appointed To Lucedale Staff

First Church, Lucedale recently called Donald Brown of Laurel as minister of music and education.

Mr. Brown assumed his duties in Lucedale January 2, 1962. For the past two years Mr. Brown has served as minister of music and education at Wildwood Church, Laurel. At Mississippi Southern College, he received the Bachelor of Music Education degree. He continued his studies at New Orleans Seminary and

Carey Graduate Named Missionary

Rev. William H. Cain, a graduate of William Carey College, has been appointed as a missionary to the French West Indies, under the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board. Reverend Cain and his wife will leave in January, 1962, to begin their work.

Just nine months after first contacting the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board and just six months after the Board approved beginning of work in the French West Indies, Reverend and Mrs. William H. Cain became the first Southern Baptist missionaries appointed for that field.

In 1960 receives the Master of Sacred Music degree from that institution.

Other churches where Mr. Brown has served are Central Church, Hattiesburg, and South McComb Church, McComb. He is married to the former Lena Lou Smith of McComb. They have one son, Donnie, a year old.

Rev. Joe Stovall is pastor at Lucedale.

English WMU In France Conducts Mission Study

Twenty-six women from the English-speaking Baptist congregations in Paris, Chateauroux, and Orleans attended an all-day mission study for the France district Woman's Missionary Union of the Association of Baptists in Continental Europe. It was held November 7 at the Orleans home of Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Hancox, Southern Baptist missionaries.

The study centered around "Your Guide to Europe," by Rosalind Allen Barker, the Young People's book in the 1961 Foreign Mission Graded Series. Teacher was Mrs. Louie Miller, wife of a U. S. Air Force chaplain stationed in Dreux, France. Assisting her were Mrs. Jeremiah Hodoroba, wife of the pastor to Romanians in Paris, and Mrs. Virginia McGee, of Paris, associational prayer chairman. Mrs. Charles Parker, also of Paris, is associational WMU president.

Themselves Romanians, the Hodorobas visited Romanian-language Baptist churches in Yugoslavia last summer, taking them supplies and clothing. The program among Romanians in Paris is supported by Southern Baptists through the French Baptist Federation.

Key Field Church Changes Name To Westwood

At the morning worship service on December 17, the congregation of Key Field Church, Meridian, adopted a resolution changing the name to Westwood.

The name change goes back to the church voting to relocate in July, 1960. Since that time property has been acquired north of Key Field and on the west side of Meridian, located on 65th Avenue between Old 8th Street Road and Highway 19 North.

Westwood was selected from a list of seven names, and became effective on January 1, 1962. Rev. Wade Allen completed 2½ years as pastor of the church on that date.



J. F. Measells

Former Amory Pastor Dies

Rev. John F. Measells, former pastor of the First Church of Amory, passed away recently at his home in Amory. Funeral services were held at the church on Friday December 1, with Rev. K. Z. Stevens, of Columbus officiating and assisted by Rev. Dan Morton and Herbert Valentine, both of Amory.

Measells had served the Amory church twice as pastor, from 1912 to 1914, and from 1930 to 1955 when he retired.

In his early ministry he was pastor at Los Cruces and Santa Fe, New Mexico, and later at Summer, Shelby, Tunica and Pontotoc in Mississippi. While in New Mexico he served as state representative on the Home Mission Board and for a number of years he was on the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

A native of Scott County, he graduated from Mississippi College and Southwestern Seminary. He leaves his wife, three daughters, Miss John Ethel Measells of Memphis; Mrs. Luke Inzer and Mrs. Edward Bourland of Amory; two brothers, D. T. Measells and B. C. Measells of Morton; one sister Mrs. Oliver Holmes of Morton; and four grandchildren.

Missions is imperative because Christ is incomparable. — Buford L. Nichols, missionary to Indonesia.

ESSO GRANTS \$8,500 TO MC

The Esso Education Foundation has announced that Mississippi College will receive a grant of \$8,500 for the 1961-62 session.

The award was made to the Baptist college by R. W. Gemmer, Jackson area manager for the Humble Oil and Refining Company. In making the presentation, Mr. Gemmer indicated that \$5,000 of the grant was designated for capital use in the college development program, and the remainder for unrestricted use.

Mississippi College has been the recipient of grants from the foundation in previous years, but the current grant is the first to be made for a capital need. A strong emphasis upon a quality science program at Mississippi College has produced many leaders in the field of science through the years.

The Esso Education Foundation was established by Standard Oil Company (New Jersey) and is supported by five domestic affiliates of Jersey Standard: Humble Oil and Refining Company, Esso International Inc., Esso Research and Engineering, Humble Pipe Line Company, and Jersey Production Research Company.

Toxish Church Ordains Minister

On Sunday afternoon, December 10, Toxish Church, Pontotoc County, ordained Rev. Lamar Waters to the gospel ministry, under the leadership of Rev. Herbert Howell, pastor.

Rev. Dewey Rowland, pastor of Scooner Chapel, presented the Bible; Rev. Mack Rutledge, pastor at Houka, gave the charge; Rev. Charles Gentry, pastor of the West Heights Church, Pontotoc, delivered the ordination message on the theme, "The Strength of the Ministry."

Rev. Waters, a graduate of Clarke College, has attended Mississippi College. He is married and has five children. He has accepted the pastorate of the Wallfield Church,



THE READER for the 1962 Sunday school lessons for the blind is Eva Marie Kennard, graduate student at Southwestern Seminary, and former BSU director and Bible teacher. New tape recordings include a full discussion of the lessons and supplementary readings. The recordings on the lesson for the first quarter 1962 are offered to 338 blind persons and are produced by Christian Education for the Blind, Fort Worth. The tape recorder is gaining wider usage by the blind for oral reading service. Readers of this announcement are asked to bring this information to the attention of blind friends who own tape recorders. Direct correspondence to: Christian Education for the Blind, P. O. Box 6999, Fort Worth 15, Texas.

Mississippi College Receives \$1500 Texaco Inc. Grant

Mississippi College has received a check for \$1,500 from Texaco Inc. as part of the company's aid-to-education program for privately financed United States colleges and universities.

In announcing receipt of the check, Dr. R. A. McLemore, president of Mississippi College, said the grant was for the academic year and is with-

out restriction as to its use. Texaco's support of higher education is based on the belief that an investment in America's youth and the continued well-being of its colleges and universities is an investment in the future welfare of the economy and the country.

This year marks the first time Mississippi College has been included in Texaco's aid-to-education program. No announcement was made by the college as to how the funds would be used.

REVIVAL DATES



Van Winkle, Jackson: January 7-14; services at 7:30 p. m.; Dr. E. J. Daniels (pictured), Orlando, Florida, internationally known full-time evangelist, will be the preacher; Lowell Leistner, well-known religious soloist and recording artist, will direct the music; Rev. Herman Milner is pastor. Color films showing the last week of Christ's ministry on earth will be shown each evening from 7:15 to 7:30. Boys and girls and teenagers attending every service will be given a free airplane ride at the end of the campaign.

On December 17, at Woodville Churches morning worship service, E. M. Kee, Jr. read a letter of appreciation to the pastor, Rev. O. B. Beverly. The letter was signed by the deacons.

Woodville Deacons Express Regard For Pastor

The letter, a public expression of appreciation and love for Brother Beverly, his wife, and son, Ted, stated, "For the past 12 years they have been untiring and self-sacrificing in their efforts to promote the work of our Lord among us. They have touched the hearts and lives of each member of this church, as well as many others in our community. For such service as theirs we cannot offer material gifts, but the greatest gift is our sincere love and appreciation, which we wholeheartedly offer."

We have the urge to give our lives all over again. — Dr. and Mrs. Howard D. Olive, missionaries to the Philippines.



FIFTY-TWO CHILDREN from the Mississippi Baptist Children's Village appear at the annual Christmas party given by the Copiah-Lincoln Jr. College BSU.

Co-Lin Gives Social For Children

Fifty-two children from the Mississippi Baptist Children's Village crowded Copiah-Lincoln's Activity Building at 6:30 on December 14.

The children, ranging in ages 6-10, were presented gifts by "OLE" Santa himself. Each committee, which was composed of six to eight members, each contributed a dollar to their chairman and they in turn purchased the gift.

As the big yellow bus arrived, the campus was filled with around 350 students who met them and carried their "child" to the party.

The theme was "Christmas Around the World". Visited were such countries as Switzerland, Mexico, France, Holland, and America. Those participating in the program were: Judy Sartin of West Lincoln; Charlotte Brown of Bogue Chitto; Mathilde Bennett of Natheez; Pat Calhoun of Natheez; and Charlotte Townsend of Enterprise.

Miss Laura Eastham of Council Grove, Kansas served as mistress of ceremonies. The activity building was decorated with the traditional tree, with long rows of chains, bells and balloons along the wall of the building.

Even though it was sponsored by the BSU, all students on the campus were asked to participate in the annual party. Guy Barr, Jr. of Magee is BSU president.

Purpose Sunday School Is Cited

NASHVILLE — "The Sunday School exists for the sake of the teaching," secretaries and associates of 28 state Baptist Sunday school departments were informed here in a recent annual session.

By that I do not mean to discredit in any way organization and administration," Howard P. Colson, editor in chief of lesson courses in the Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department, continued. "But we can't take the picture out of the frame. Bible teaching is the principle objective of the Sunday school. Our lessons are all biblical, and for that, we ought to thank God," he declared. "They are all based upon the inspired word of God and they all teach it."

We believe not only that we must teach the Bible; we believe that we must relate it to life. It is important not only to reach the unreached and unsaved but also the undeveloped and the unadjusted," Dr. Colson concluded.